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A WEEVIL DESTROYER

Quest by the Department of Agriculture Seems to Have Met with Success

FEEDS ON THE COTTON PEST.

Botanist Discovers an Ant in Guatemala Which is an Effective Enemy of the Cotton Pest.

The department of agriculture announces that an ant has been found in Guatemala that is an effective enemy of the boll weevil. It will be immediately introduced into the cotton states. The greatest significance is attached to the discovery, which was made by O. F. Cook, the botanist in charge of tropical agricultural investigations of the bureau of plant industry. Cabled instructions have been sent to him to report immediately to the department what assistance he needs in the way of men or money. During a trip through Central Asia last year Mr. Cook discovered a cotton grown by Indians which gave indications of being immune from the boll weevil, and on orders from the department he later began an investigation in certain points in Guatemala and Mexico.

Mr. Cook's investigations have been in more or less accessible regions in the province of Alta Vera Paz, Guatemala. The weevils are present there, but the investigations show they are unquestionably kept in check by the presence of an active enemy in the shape of a large reddish brown ant, which is attracted to the cotton by the food which it secures from sets of floral nectaries. Mr. Cook's investigations show that these ants spread themselves over a field of cotton, four or five to a plant, and that they are constantly engaged in the destruction of the boll weevils. Mr. Cook reports that the ant and business-like way in which the weevil is disposed of seems to prove beyond a question that the ant is by structure and instinct especially equipped for the work of destruction, and is, in short, the true explanation of the fact that the cotton is successfully cultivated by the Indians of Alta Vera Paz in spite of the presence of the boll weevil.

The ant is able to protect itself against frost, since it excavates a nest three or more feet into the ground. Several have survived confinement for twelve days without food. Although cotton seems to be especially adapted to attract the ant by means of its numerous nectaries, the insect is not, like some of the members of its class, confined to a single plant or to a single kind of prey. It attacks and destroys insects of every order, even centipedes. On the other hand, it does not do the least injury to the cotton, or to any other plant, so far as has been ascertained, and it can be handled with impunity.

TOW BOAT EXPLODED

And Thirteen Persons Were Torn to Pieces—Others Fatally Injured.

The tow boat Fred Wilson, belonging to the Monongahela Coal and Coke Company, of Pittsburg, blew up at 3:30 o'clock near Louisville, Ky., and thirteen persons were killed, among them being Captain Price and Mate Sykes. One passenger, who is said to be a Pittsburg millionaire, is reported among the dead.

The cause of the accident is not known. The boat had just put out to back a tow into a landing place when the explosion occurred.

There were thirty-three persons on the vessel at the time and only seven were uninjured.

Of the injured one has since died. The force of the explosion was so great that it shattered windows and awakened the occupants of houses in Louisville, four miles from the scene.

W. D. Chesterman, formerly editor of the Richmond, Va., Dispatch, died Sunday, aged 61.

Newport News has more warships in her waters than ever before.

HALF A MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

Visited the Wholesale District of New Orleans Sunday.

At New Orleans Sunday fire caused by electric light wires did about half a million dollars damage. The Louis P. Rice saddle factory, Comon and Mazette streets; the Simonds Manufacturing Company and the Meigs, Brady and Lincoln woodenware establishments were destroyed and others damaged.

The fire was in the heart of the wholesale district and was stopped short of two oil companies and several big drug establishments. Insurance \$350,000.

The Pearl River Lumber Company, of Mississippi has provided a movable Y. M. C. A. building which can be lifted, like the other camp buildings, by great cranes onto flat cars and transported to the different points where the men are cutting.

In a report issued by the department of agriculture the physiologist in charge of the plant-breeding laboratory estimates that the production of long staple upland cotton in the United States in 1903 reached nearly 400,000 bales.

PARKER IS ENDORSED

By the Democrats of Alabama for the Presidential Nomination.

AN UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATION

Is Sent to St. Louis—Mallory, Rhodes, Russell and Richardson Chosen. Parker Indorsed.

Five hundred and nine democrats of Alabama forming the state convention were called to order Wednesday noon by State Committee Chairman H. S. D. Mallory in the auditorium of the Montgomery city hall.

He announced as temporary chairman H. B. Gray, of Jefferson, and for temporary secretaries Mr. W. W. Brandon, of Tuscaloosa, and R. E. L. Neil, of Selma.

The committee on permanent organization reported, offering the name of C. C. Whitson, of Talladega, for permanent chairman and W. W. Brandon and R. E. L. Neil, of Dallas, as permanent secretaries.

The resolutions adopted declared Judge Alton B. Parker an acceptable candidate for the presidential nomination.

The delegation is not instructed, but the convention provided that they shall vote as a unit according to the will of a majority of the delegation.

Major W. W. Screws, of Montgomery, withdrew his name as a candidate for delegate at large. He said that he believed that it was to the best interest of the party that he come down and when that was the case he never hesitated. There were cries of "stay in the race."

The first ballot for delegates at large resulted: Rhodes, 379; Russell, 486; Mallory, 497; Richardson, 334; Sanford, 154; Screws, 187. Rhodes, Russell, Mallory and Richardson were declared elected.

The electors and alternates selected are as follows:

First District—Elector, E. B. McCarty, Marengo; alternate, C. J. Coulter, Washington.

Second District—Elector, S. C. Jackson, Baldwin; alternate, N. R. Leigh, Escambia.

Third District—Elector, E. L. Blue, Bullock; alternate, Thomas J. Carlisle, Coffee.

Fourth District—Elector, W. B. Brown, Shelby; alternate, W. L. McCaa, Calhoun.

Fifth District—Elector, J. W. Overton, Randolph; alternate, George A. Smith, Elmore.

Sixth District—Elector, W. C. Davis, Walker; alternate, A. M. Willett, Pickens.

Seventh District—Elector, J. R. Ross, Cullman; W. J. Boykin, Etowah.

Eighth District—Elector, W. B. Bankhead, Madison; alternate, C. M. Sherrod, Lawrence.

Ninth District—Elector, G. W. Darden, Blount; alternate, O. A. Lane, Jefferson.

Selection of electors at large was taken up. Taylor, of Mobile, nominated Richmond P. Hobson, of Montgomery, of Pike, was named by Congressmen Clayton and Long, of Walker, by State Auditor Sowell. They received the following vote on call of counties: Hobson, 391; Long, 260; Sanford, 365.

Inge of Mobile, Whiteside of Calhoun, Burnett of Conecuh, and Lynn of Morgan, were named alternates.

Foster Elsbury, of Geneva, and C. P. Walker, of Conecuh, were named alternate electors at large.

Delegate Powell, of Butler, offered an amendment that the word "white" be inserted before the word "population" in the platform relating to representation. A motion to table carried, 350 to 146.

As a testimonial to the honesty of postoffice clerks, a single dollar bearing a 2-cent stamp on one side and an address on the other was received in the Huntsville postoffice from the postoffice at Manila, P. I. The money was probably handled by a dozen clerks and may very easily have been lost or stolen.

TWO MAIL CLERKS KILLED.

In a Railroad Accident near Shreveport, La.

Twelve or fourteen miles east of Shreveport was the scene of a fatal wreck, in which D. W. Holbrook, white, and A. T. Washington, colored, railway mail clerks, lost their lives. The wreck occurred on the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific railroad.

There is a deep cut east of the town of Houghton, and at this point the wreck took place. The tender of the engine first left the track, followed by the mail car, which fell down the steep embankment, killing the two mail clerks almost instantly.

Alabama Prisoners. Between sixteen and seventeen hundred tons of coal are now being mined a day by the convicts of Alabama at Pratt Mines and Flat Top.

This brings to the treasury about \$1,000 every twenty-four hours and represents an income to the state from seven hundred men at these two mines of \$26,000 a month or \$312,000 a year.

Birmingham is to have two new Catholic churches.

THE PLATFORM.

As It Was Adopted by the Convention.

Resolved, That, having full confidence in the wisdom of the national convention of the democratic party to be held in St. Louis and its ability to adopt a sound platform based on the time-honored principles of the party upon which all can unite and win; sure victory in November, we hereby remit to that convention all questions relating to national affairs.

Resolved further, That we do, however, emphatically protest against the methods of the present chief executive of the United States in defying the laws of the land in setting up his discretion in opposition to explicit provision of national statutes and arrogating to himself legislative functions. We condemn imperialism in either the executive or legislative departments of the government, and especially condemn the flagrant usurpation of power to which this country has been treated in recent years and the corruption and extravagance of the present national republican administration.

Resolved further, That, while this convention does not instruct the delegation from Alabama to the coming national convention to be held at St. Louis as to the candidates for whom its vote shall be cast at such convention, but prefers to leave the delegation free to cast its vote therefor as it unit, as a majority thereof may then decide with the lights then before them, yet we, the democrats of Alabama, in convention assembled, considering the situation as it is now before us, do hereby declare that, recognizing his eminent character as a man, we believe Judge Alton Brooks Parker, of New York, is the most available and acceptable candidate of our party for the presidency and that the sentiment of the democracy of this state is favorable to his nomination.

Resolved further, That the vote of the Alabama delegation to the coming national democratic convention to be held at St. Louis be cast as a unit as may be decided by a majority thereof on all questions submitted to the convention.

Resolved further, That the last legislature has adopted an honest and satisfactory primary and general election law and has also carried into effect the various provisions of the new constitution, thereby fully redeeming all pledges of our party and preserving white supremacy by lawful and constitutional methods.

Resolved further, That the state executive committee is instructed to fix the representation for all future conventions on a basis of a population of the next preceding federal census allowing one delegate for each 3,000 population and one for each majority or fraction thereof.

ACQUITTED.

J. Perry Greene, Accused of Embezzlement, Declared Not Guilty.

One ballot only was taken by the jury which tried J. Perry Greene at Columbus, Ga. Mr. Greene, who was formerly of Birmingham, is one of the most prominent young men of the city. A charge of embezzlement was brought by President John F. Weathers, of the Columbus Showcase Company, for whom Mr. Greene had worked as bookkeeper during 1903, it being alleged that he took \$1,300 of the company's money and then made the books balance by making false entries.

The defense was sensational, Greene charging that President Weathers himself had been systematically robbing the company, and that he tried to make a scapegoat of the bookkeeper. Greene talked to the jury an hour and a half and made a dramatic assertion of his innocence and an equally dramatic accusation of President Weathers, who sat a few feet from him.

Dalny Evacuated.

Dalny has been practically evacuated according to the statements of refugees. All vessels, ammunition and most of the troops have been taken to Port Arthur. The only civilians remaining are the electrical engineers in charge of the mines laid in the harbor, and also those set to destroy docks and piers.

The Scaffold Fell.

George Wilson and a man named Dennis, white painters, were seriously injured while working at East Lake. Both fell a distance of thirty-two feet from near the edge of the roof to the floor beneath. The left leg of Wilson was broken just below the knee, the bone penetrating the trousers and being exposed. He was internally injured and it is feared that his back is broken. Dennis fell almost headforemost and in trying to save himself from fatal injury extended his right arm, and it was shattered between the wrist and elbow.

Will Be Dedicated June 7th.

Tuesday, June 7th, has been designated as the time for dedicating the Alabama exhibit in the mines building. The building, including the statue of Vulcan, a program is being arranged. It is intended to have the Colossus christened by a young lady from Alabama with proper ceremony, and it is expected that a large number of Alabamians will be present.

Faunsdale's new bank building is nearing completion.

JAPANESE VICTORIOUS

Win a Land Battle Capturing Kin Chou and Are Twelve Miles from Port Arthur

CLOSING IN ON PORT ARTHUR

Recent Victory of Japs Gives Them Absolute Control of the Liao Tung Peninsula.

After five hours of desperate fighting the Japanese captured Kin Chou, Nan Quan Ling, a stronghold of the enemy, was taken after a hot fight. The fighting, which culminated in the Japanese occupation of Kin Chou, was practically confined to an artillery duel, which, beginning at dawn of May 26, continued without intermission for five hours. Three Japanese warships and a Russian gunboat also joined in the fight.

Reports indicate that the storming of Nanshan hill was a bloody affair. The Russians had constructed a series of trenches around the hill on a terrace protected by wire entanglements and other such devices.

The Japanese pursued the Russians for some distance. Russia's loss was over 4,000 men; the Japanese some thing like 3,500. The number of Russian guns captured exceed seventy.

Japanese troops have swept all the Russians from their defenses west of Talienwan bay. It is now improbable that the latter will be capable of offering any further serious resistance in the territory south of Port Arthur.

The Japanese are within twelve miles of Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Togo has established a complete blockade around the southern end of the Liao Tung peninsula. This completely envelopes Port Arthur from the seaward and marks the opening of the final investment of the town and its fortifications.

RUSSIA'S BALTIC SEA FLEET

Cannot Get Away Before September. Will Be Fully Equipped.

Although work is pushed night and day to prepare the Baltic fleet for service, it is feared now that it cannot be ready to sail for the far east before September. The delay is regarded as especially unfortunate, in view of the situation at Port Arthur, where the arrival of the fleet before the fall of the fortress would compel the raising of the siege.

It has been found necessary to put the battleship Oral, which recently sank at Cronstadt, owing to her sea valves being left open, and was subsequently floated, and on which an explosion killing ten stokers was alleged to have afterwards occurred in dry dock, and possibly she may not accompany the Baltic fleet to the far east. There is no intention of purchasing any South American warships owned by private firms. Neither has Russia any intention of purchasing any foreign merchantmen for transport purposes. Twenty transports will accompany the Baltic fleet, carrying coal, ammunition and stores. There also will be repair, water condensing and hospital ships.

Purchasing Vessels.

A dispatch from Brussels says that the Russian and Japanese governments are competing sharply for the purchase of transports in Holland and Belgium.

Russia has bought most of the large ones and Japan a number of the small which will be converted into protected cruisers.

According to the latest reports, the Japanese camps are infected with cholera and there is an average of 100 deaths daily.

The Russians are so convinced of the efficacy of submarine boats that many of the wealthiest and most influential people have formed an association to promote the construction of vessels of that class as being "ideal defensive craft, and such as are required by a pacific power like Russia."

Insane Juror Drawn Twice.

The trial of Shug Huffman for the murder of Deputy Marshal Holcomb, was abruptly ended by one of the jurors developing symptoms of insanity.

Juror Caine during the trial requested an audience with the judge and told Judge Jones that two of the jurors had conspired to kill him. Caine was immediately examined, pronounced incompetent and a mistrial was entered. Huffman's former trial was interrupted eighteen months ago in the same manner.

It is again reported that the Acre territory dispute between Brazil and Peru has been settled.

A Tokio correspondent says that the second line of defense on the Liao Tung peninsula has been occupied by the Japanese without resistance. The authorities expect, the correspondent adds, that the Port Arthur fortress will fall during the second fortnight in June.

The Russians, who recently purchased 1,500 junk anchors, have shipped them to Tung Ching Tsu, where they will block the river to prevent the produce of that section leaving. Fodder is especially scarce.

ANOTHER RAILROAD CONNECTION

Can Be Had by Meridian by Building Five Miles of Track.

Meridian has a splendid opportunity in a proposition now before the board of trade. The proposition is that of securing another railroad outlet. There is a short line railway extending from Meehan Junction to Moore's Mill in Newton county called the Meehan and Rounds railroad, which is fifteen miles long, standard gauge, and trains can run on this road at the rate of thirty or forty miles per hour, as the rails are heavy and the track in good condition.

The stockholders of this road will entertain a proposition for the lease or purchase of the road for the purpose of connecting Meridian with the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City if a right of way can be secured over the Alabama and Vicksburg from Meehan Junction to Meridian, only about fourteen miles.

From Moore's Mill to Union, Newton county, is about fifteen miles, so about one-third of the road is already in shape for a connecting line, and another third ready for trains if trackage can be secured, leaving only one third of the route to be built.

DISCOVERED THE MINE.

Japanese Found the Key of Russian Defense at Nanshan Hill.

The Japanese assault on Nanshan Hill was one of the fiercest and bloodiest affairs in modern warfare. In the earlier rushes of the engagement every man participating was shot down before he reached the first line of Russian trenches. It was found necessary to stop these infantry charges and renew the artillery fire from the rear before the final and successful assault on the Russian position could be made.

A stroke of good fortune for the Japanese was the discovery and destruction of electric wires leading to the mines at the eastern foot of Nanshan Hill. This prevented the Russians from exploding these mines the Japanese infantry crossed the ground where they had been placed. It is possible the fortune of the day hinged upon these mines. If the Russians had been able to explode them at the right time the loss among the Japanese troops would have been tremendous, and it is possible also that the Russians would have been able to hold the hill.

MAY AUCTION WHOLE TOWN.

Little Arkansas City in Jeopardy by Order of Court.

A special from Carlisle, Ark., says: Unless the courts intervene the entire town of Carlisle and about 3400 acres of land surrounding the town will be sold at public sale June 9 on an order granted by the court to the heirs of the original owner of the land.

The order was secured by the guardian of three minor heirs of a Frenchman named Somio, who years ago owned all the land on which the town of Carlisle now stands, as well as much of the surrounding country. The original owner sold most of the land years ago, but in 1879, presumably to make title clear, he secured a patent from the state for the whole tract. He failed, it is said, to make new deeds, however, for the land which he had sold, and as a result the heirs now claim the property.

The citizens of Carlisle held a mass meeting and decided to raise a fund to carry on a fight against the claimants.

In accordance with a verbal report made by a special committee appointed by the secretary of the treasury, all star route carriers, contractors and mail messengers carrying mail between postoffice and railroad stations and steamboat wharves will be paid monthly instead of quarterly, beginning July 1st.

D. J. Sulley & Co. have made a demand upon the receivers now in charge of the firm's business that they buy 190,000 bales of spot cotton for the firm's account. D. J. Sulley & Co. claim that they were not notified by any of the brokers that their cotton had been sold out, and they therefore wish the receivers to buy in 190,000 bales of actual cotton.

BURNED TO DEATH.

But There are Suspicious Circumstances Attendant.

A special from Paines, Miss., says: "Jerome Bufford, a merchant, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed his place of business. A peculiar feature of the case, and one which has aroused suspicion of foul play, was the finding of a bag of silver coin and some valuable papers of Bufford's near the site of the store."

Railway earnings thus far reported for May, fall 3.7 short of the same time last year.

Family Heard Him Sentenced.

After being out thirty minutes the jury in the murder case of John Thomas Patrick, who killed John D. Irvin last Christmas, brought in a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy. Judge Butt sentenced Patrick to the penitentiary for the rest of his life.

The prisoner's wife, little child and two sisters saw him sentenced.

Cardinal Satolli is en route to America.

SENATOR QUAY DEAD

The End Came Saturday After a Year of Continually Failing Health.

HAD NO HOPE OF RECOVERY

And Had Made All Preparations for Death—Funeral Will be Held Tuesday.

Matthew Stanley Quay, senior senator from Pennsylvania, died Saturday afternoon of chronic gastritis.

The funeral service will be held on Tuesday and the body will be buried in Beaver cemetery.

Senator Quay's indisposition began about a year ago. He prided himself on his endurance and held firmly to his outdoor life would restore him to health. It was this thought that took him to the Maine woods for several successive summers.

Colonel Quay in health was a great eater and his trouble of later years dated, it is said, from overdraughts on his system due to heavy eating, smoking and the great nervous strain which he underwent. He celebrated his seventieth birthday at Beaver last fall, and at the time seemed in excellent health. He dropped in weight so persistently that he forsook his duties in the senate and betook himself to Florida. Florida failed to restore vitality.

Senator Quay constantly expected death and told his friends so. The last time he called at the white house he told President Roosevelt that he expected never to recover and would hardly see him again. Ten days ago he began the arrangement of his personal affairs looking toward the end. The last papers were not signed until Friday morning, but the arrangements were all made. Thursday last he asked to be taken to his famous library, remarking to his attendants: "I want to see my books once more before I die."

Two of the greatest politicians in the republican party in recent years were Hanna and Quay, both now dead. Each had won in the capacity of national chairman great victories for his party. Strange to say, they were bitter enemies, recognizing each other only in the most formal way. The split occurred between them in the first McKinley administration, when Quay had a contest over his seat, Hanna opposing him.

NAMED THE BIRMINGHAM.

City Will be Represented in the Navy by a Scout Cruiser.

Congressman O. W. Underwood received the following telegram from Secretary of the Navy Moody: "One of the scout cruisers authorized in the last naval bill has been named Birmingham."

The scout cruiser is a comparatively new class of vessel in the American navy. Two of them were provided for in the last naval bill passed by congress.

It is a type of vessel that is to be used almost exclusively by the navy in scouting or reconnoitering and they are properly termed "the eyes of the navy." They are practically the same size as the regular cruiser, the difference in construction being that the armament is largely sacrificed for speed and coal capacity. The vessels will have light armor and will have fighting guns which will make them formidable implements of warfare.

But their great advantage will lie in the fact that they can run with great speed and the unusually large coal capacity will enable them to remain at sea for a much longer time than any other class of vessel without landing to take on more fuel.

After two days' discussion of the matter, the Episcopal diocesan convention of Missouri voted against the use of the revised version of the Bible in the prescribed service of the church. The clergy vote was 12 for the revised version and 19 against, and that of the laity 9 for and 26 against.

An unprecedented athletic event will take place when more than 2,000 French soldiers will compete in an army walking match. The total distance is about 28 miles. One hundred and seventy-five infantry regiments and twenty-eight regiments of cavalry and batteries of artillery will compete, each sending about ten men.

At Rising Sun, Ind., after deliberating forty-two hours without coming to an agreement, Judge Downey discharged the jury in the case of James Gillespie, charged with assassinating his sister Elizabeth. An effort will be made to have the prisoner released. The Methodist general conference adjourned Saturday night.

Tharp Given Twenty Years.

At Hamilton Charley Tharp, who was charged with the murder of Bob Perry last Christmas night, was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to twenty years at hard labor. The jury had been on the case seventy hours. A motion for a new trial by him was overruled by the judge. An appeal to the supreme court was taken.

MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

Secretary and Mrs. Hay returned to Washington from their visit to the St. Louis Exhibition.

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The Treasury Department drew a warrant for \$9,000,000 in favor of J. P. Morgan & Co., to complete payment for the Panama Canal right of way.

Force and not diplomacy will figure in the case of the kidnapping at Tangier of Ion Perdicaris and his stepson.

The United States Supreme Court upheld the action of the immigration authorities at the port of New York in ordering the deportation of John Turner, the English anarchist.

The whole United States South Atlantic Squadron was ordered to Tangier to aid in rescuing Ion Perdicaris, the American captured by bandits.

The proceeds of the recent Russian Red Cross fair and bazaar were something over \$17,000.

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

Major-General Wood is marching with 450 men in pursuit of Moros that killed two American officers and several soldiers.

The bodies of sixty-four dead and many discharged soldiers arrived on the United States transport Kilpatrick.

Fifty-three Filipinos were massacred by Moros at Malabang.

Faustino Guillermo, formerly a revolutionary general, but latterly a leader of San Miguel outlaws, was hanged at Pasig for brigandage and murder.

Governor Winthrop, of Porto Rico, issued a proclamation calling a special session of the Legislature to consider the report of the committee on the proposed \$5,000,000 loan.

Former Land Commissioner E. S. Boyd and Chief Clerk N. S. Mahulu, of Honolulu, P. I., were arrested on a charge of embezzlement.

DOMESTIC.

The city of Memphis will institute suit against every railroad entering it for back taxes aggregating about \$1,000,000.

Statistics showed that owing to labor troubles the grain carrying trade of the port of Buffalo alone had in a year fallen off from 31,000,000 bushels to less than 1,000,000.

The United States Government will arrange to receive wireless messages from foreign war ships whenever asked to do so.

Five children were drowned in a cloudburst near Austin, Texas.

Independent long-distance telephone men meeting at St. Louis practically arranged a direct service between Pittsburg and Kansas City.

Six out of sixteen members of a charivari party, three of them women, at Romeo, Mich., were shot while serenading a newly-married couple.

The Army of the Potomac and the Connecticut Department of the Grand Army of the Republic met to hold reunions in Hartford, Conn.

Tobacco growers asked Attorney-General Knox to proceed against the Tobacco Trust.

Philadelphia Poles celebrated the 114th anniversary of the signing of the constitution of Poland.

The United States warships were ordered to Chefoo, within one day's steaming of Newchwang.

The steamer Doric, just in at San Francisco from the Orient, brought \$2,225,000 in gold coin from Japan.

Owing to the war in the Far East, which has demoralized trade, the China Commercial Steamship Company will withdraw its vessels between Portland, Ore., and Hongkong.

The Mount Vernon Ladies' Association has received a valuable gift, an original portrait of Washington, by Gilbert Stuart, presented by Mrs. Ida A. Richardson, Vice-Regent for Louisiana.

FOREIGN.

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COUNTY TICKET.

For Probate Judge:
A. P. LONGSHORE.

For Circuit Clerk:
JOHN R. DYKE.

For Tax Assessor:
JOHN S. PITTS.

For Tax Collector:
W. A. BRASHER.

For County Treasurer:
W. E. HARRISON.

For Supt. of Education:
J. O. DOROUGH.

For Commissioner 1st District:
J. E. DYKES.

For Commissioner 2nd District:
JAMES M. ALLEN.

For Commissioner 3rd District:
PLEASANT SHAW.

For Commissioner 4th District:
G. W. GREEN.

For Coroner:
J. F. ATCHISON.

The editor from Kansas may have (like Carrie) the properties of a smasher, but we would think that he would have to confine himself to the truth and the facts before he can smash the Populist of Shelby county. Take care Carrie, your little schemes wont work in Shelby.

There are many Democrats in Columbiana today who says the men in the Populist party are not fit to sit down to the table to eat with, and still some of these very same Democrats who say that, will love the Populist people nearly to death when they come to town to get them to vote for them. Populist, how does that strike you?

If the Democratic speakers at Harpersville, of which the Sentinel had so much to say last week, were not able to hold their own in defense of their side of the question, that was no fault of the people, and when the Sentinel refers to outrageous and indecent treatment of these speakers he thrusts an insult into the face of every law abiding citizen present on that occasion.

The people will bear us out in the assertion that Democratic speakers have been treated better by the opposing party than Populist speakers have been treated by the Democratic party. It is a well known fact that Populist have been regarded as "nothing" by the Democratic party in Shelby county, and that in many cases they have had to proclaim their rights at the point of guns.

The Populist smasher continues to grumble and growl about the road machinery, and asks by what authority the Commissioners court paid the freight. That is easy. The court is its own authority. The work done by the road machinery has proven to be worth three times the amount of the freight, and citizens who know whereof they speak, have so expressed themselves.

The Sentinel displays more cheek than a government mule when it tries to make it appear that the reason the Democrats don't want a joint discussion is because the Democrats are treated badly. When Carrie you was in Kansas when efforts were made to burn in effigy some of the Populist speakers, and arms had to be resorted to to keep this nefarious and low principled act from being committed.

The Sentinel said the Democratic treasurer turned over \$16,000.00 to the Populist treasurer, when the record only shows that \$553.20 was turned over. This is very much like his slurs of last week upon the citizenship of Shelby county, when it said in substance that the people were too indecent to speakers to have a joint debate. Carrie, you must have been in Kansas when the fight in this county was on, as you say that the Democratic speakers were mistreated.

The only theory of the Sentinel is to misrepresent the real facts and thereby try to mislead enough Populist and Republicans to defeat the ticket in November. Now, Carrie we want to inform you that you will have to get down to "brass-tax" and argue the issues before the people with regards to the truth. The people of Shelby county will not be led by willful and malicious misrepresentations.

The Sentinel has lots to say about the joint discussion and it is begging the question in no small terms. Brother, you need not put up these little puny excuses. The people of Shelby county know the reason why your candidates wont agree to a joint discussion. They cant face the racket. Too many little dirty things are registered against the Democratic party in this county. They want to let the past be of the past.

The Sentinel says, "The Advocate has made a public display of its ignorance of the democracy of the south end of the county and they do not appreciate the reflection upon their integrity."

Not so Carrie, the Democrats of the lower end of the county pay no attention to the Advocate, but we dare say that the wrong doings perpetrated by the bosses of your party upon them and the utter disregard shown the good and loyal Democrats of that section burns warm in their memories.

The Sentinel says, "that the Democratic party held a primary in which every Democrat in the county was given an opportunity to vote for the men of his choice."

Yes, it may be true that the Democratic voters did vote for the men of their choice, but it has been currently reported that some of these votes were counted for another man. If this report be true, that is in keeping with the Democratic party in Shelby county, but we fail to see wherein an instance like this that a majority rules.

It is amusing to see some of the Democratic candidates patting and pleading with the Populist to support them in November. The Populist should remember that these very same men who are now asking you to vote for them, only a few years ago ignored you as citizens almost and would stoop to the most foul means to defeat the will of the people. This should be remembered by the Populist, and no importance should be attached to the broad smiles and fondly greetings of some of the Democratic candidates.

When the Sentinel blows about the treatment the Democratic speakers have received in this county it fails to mention the fact that Populist speakers have been ignored their right to be heard in many places in this county. It does not mention the fact that willful and malicious lies have been circulated upon the Populist speakers and men have had to come from other counties to refute the infamous charges which were known to be absolutely false. Carrie, you have not been here long enough to know what you are talking about.

The Populist who would affiliate with the Democratic party in the November election, would show to the world that he did not regard his own feeling. The Populist are called scalawags, rosum chawers and hillbillies. They are not regarded as the best people, says the Sentinel, but still the Democrats want your vote. We want to admonish you as citizens, to think well over this question. Do you want to ever again cast your lot with a set of men who do not regard you as a decent citizen? All in the world the Democratic party wants with you is to vote for the bosses and keep them in office, and you be damn.

The Populists were hard pushed to get a crowd at Bay Springs when they circulated the story that Captain Hobson would speak there. Deception cuts no figure with them. —Sentinel.

And here is still another instance where the Populist smasher "is trying to get in its "bluff." We have been reliably informed that a splendid crowd was present at Bay Springs expecting to hear both sides discussed, but lo and behold the Democrats caucused around town here that morning and decided to back down. As to the report that Captain Hobson was to be on the ground, no one of those who were present heard of such a report until they saw it in the Sentinel.

The Sentinel says, "that really it appears to it that Democratic speakers were not expected at Bay Springs."

No, that is true, those who are in a position to know the inability of the Democratic speakers to meet the issues, had no idea that the Democratic speakers would be present, but they had been given an invitation to be there and the citizens of that community expected to hear both sides.

The Sentinel says, "information has come to it that many of the best people of the county oppose a joint discussion."

We have been informed that many good and respectable citizens have signed petitions asking for a joint debate to discuss the condition of affairs in the county, and the Sentinel seems to cast a reflection on these citizens for so doing. Among those who have signed these petitions are Democrats as well as Populist and we cant see why the Sentinel should not class them among the best people. We are not surprised at the Sentinel for not classing the Populist who have signed these petitions as good people, but we were kinder taken in when it reflects upon the good and loyal Democrats who have put their names to these petitions. Doubtless these men think that they have a right to think and act for themselves, but the Sentinel sneers at them and does not term them among the best people, because they have seen proper to exercise their rights in this matter. The truth of the business is the Sentinel is trying (with the aid of the bosses) to manipulate the Democratic party and there are some Democrats who see fit to stand in their own shoes and think and act for themselves.

The Sentinel says, "it is common knowledge that Democratic speakers were treated in a manner that was an outrage upon the good name of Shelby county." And it further says, "who that was present could forget the treatment of Governor Oates at Harpersville?" And further it says, "not a few doubtless remember a joint meeting of this character in Wilsonville when General Pettus and others spoke in behalf of the Democrats, and Judge Longshore and other Populist spoke for the Populist party."

Now there are things about these very instances above mentioned that the people of Shelby county know that condemns the Sentinel upon its face. The people of Shelby county know that at Harpersville at the time mentioned above, the Democratic speakers, among whom were Gov. Oates and a Mr. Hibord, and the treatment that Gov. Oates received that day was that he was given two and one-half hours to speak and Mr. Hibord was given two hours and Judge Longshore was given one and one-quarter hour, and the result was and it was conceded by both sides, and even by Oates himself, that Judge Longshore waltzed Governor Oates so badly that Oates didn't know "where he was at." This was not due to the indecent and outrageous treatment of Governor Oates by law-abiding citizens who were there and gave him a courteous hearing, but it was due to the fact of his inability to defend the rottenness and corruption of the Democratic party, and on the other hand, Judge Longshore's able defense of the principles he advocated. As to the Wilsonville project, it is known to many citizens of this county that the treatment given the speakers on that occasion, was that prior to the arrival of some of the Populist speakers, there had been indecent and ridiculous circulars circulated on one of the Populist speakers by Democrats, and this nefarious cowardly and dirty action of some of the Democrats was stopped by other conservative and sensible men before the arrival of the speaker on whom these reports were made in order to prevent blood shed. The Sentinel should take both sides as he goes along and it should not reflect upon the citizens of Shelby county in this manner unless he knows more of the facts as they existed at that time. The citizens of this county, we believe, are respectable and decent, and we do not agree with the Sentinel that they are not decent. We do not charge that any citizen is indecent and not respectable, but we do say and we believe that facts and the people will bear us out in the assertion, that the Populist speakers and Populist generally have been maltreated and abused and disrespected at the hands of the Democratic party in this county.

THE TICKET.

The Convention of the Republicans at Calera last Saturday nominated the following gentlemen to supply the places left for them on the Populist ticket, to-wit:

John R. Dyke of Sterrett, Circuit Clerk; W. A. Brasher of Vandiver, beat 14, Tax Collector; Geo. W. Green of Creswell, beat 10, Commissioner; Pleasant Shaw of Montevallo, beat 4, Commissioner; John Atchison, beat 1, Coroner.

The Convention was harmonious and without a bobble, and it can be wisely said that great care and good judgment was exercised in the above nominations.

With these gentlemen the ticket will go on to victory.

The people know well the other gentlemen nominated by the Populist of whom we have already spoken. Mr. Dyke, the nominee for Clerk, is a high-toned gentleman, a man brim full of business, fully competent to discharge the duties of the office. He is a gentleman whom the office seeks. He has no aspirations to be an officer, but when his party and the people calls him he becons to the call and is found willing to serve the people. He is a strong man and when elected in November will be a Clerk of whom every citizen will be proud of.

Mr. Brasher, the nominee for Tax Collector, is also a gentleman of high standing, and the fact that no opposition to his candidacy arose, goes to prove that he will be a winning candidate, and when elected will make a good officer.

Mr. Green, the nominee for Commissioner, comes before the people without a blemish. He is a gentleman of high moral character, and an extensive farmer. He is well fitted to fill the office of Commissioner, and when elected in November will prove his efficiency by his management of the affairs of the county.

Mr. Shaw, (better known as Pleas) has served the people as Commissioner for several years. He needs no introduction to the people. He is held in high esteem by all parties and his election in November will insure good and efficient management of affairs of the county.

Mr. John Atchison, the nominee for Coroner, is a highly respected farmer of beat 1, and comes before the people not as an aspirant for the office, but showing his loyalty to the cause of the people. He will hold an inquest over the remains of the Democratic party after November.

All in all, the entire ticket is composed of good and loyal citizens—men who are representatives of the laboring people and their interest is the poor man's interest.

Committee Call.

The Executive Committee of the Peoples Party of Shelby County is hereby called to meet at the Court-house in Columbiana, Ala., on Saturday, the 4th day of June, at three o'clock P. M. to transact such business as may come before it. Every member is earnestly requested to be present.

J. T. FINLEY, Chairman.

OSE BIRD, Secretary.

COMMITTEE.

Beat 1—K H Davis, Jr., John C. Williams, John Mooney.

Beat 2—W M Connell, G W Busby, J D Whitten.

Beat 3—W J Nelson, J A Cook, J. T. Pilgreen.

Beat 4—R W Allen, N T Lucas, John M Fancher.

Beat 5—Robert Atchison, Fayette Bunn, John Harmon.

Beat 6—J B Griffin, M S Lee, L T Braswell.

Beat 7—Josh Crim, D C Nickerson, C M Wooten.

Beat 8—L R Kendrick, J L Gardner, Wm Cooper.

Beat 9—John F Hill, G R McEwen, John Stinson.

Beat 10—John Gill, C A Glaze, J A Blankenship.

Beat 11—H E Archer, R B Moore, W J Sewell.

Beat 12—J M Allen, I N Gilbert, R F Johnson.

Beat 13—E W Attaway, W P Cox, J A McDaniel.

Beat 14—E F Salsar, Wm Welton, J J Dorrough.

Beat 15—S Z T Champion, R J Moore, J M Byers.

Beat 16—T M Clinkscales, A E McGraw, M F Holmes.

Beat 17—W H Pledger, W C Powers, W W Elliott.

Beat 18—J O Dorrough, Wm Lowery, J H Dorrough.

Beat 19—J D Stripling, N J Jarvis, W E Lovelady.

THE TRUTH.

What does the report say in relation to that matter?

"The indebtedness of the county of about \$11,000 existing at the time of the report of the last grand jury was paid out of taxes collected, but the county is now out of funds, and it again becomes necessary to borrow money to meet current expenses."

The Advocate is not responsible for the discrepancy between the two reports of the Grand Jury. The Grand Jury at the fall term 1903, made a thorough investigation, and reported that "on outstanding warrants and of all kinds is \$17,425.80." The Advocate states upon authority of the county treasurer that every dollar of this indebtedness has been paid, except a warrant of \$1000.00 due on the 4th day of January, 1905, to the Virginia, Iron and Bridge Company. The Sentinel could have found out this fact if it had desired to publish the truth. If the indebtedness has been paid it makes but little difference whether it was seventeen thousand or eleven thousand. If the statement made by the last Grand Jury that "the indebtedness of the county of about \$11,000.00" existing at the time of the report of the last Grand Jury, was paid out of taxes collected, does not mean that all the indebtedness has been paid we fail to understand the meaning of the english language, and we are sure that every intelligent man in the county would so construe the report. There were several errors in the last report, caused by misreading the statement of the treasurer's report; the report stated that there was only \$6.75 on hand, when in fact there was \$1,353.00 on hand. As soon as the Foreman, Mr. H. W. Nelson, found out the mistake he had it corrected, but it seems the Sentinel is not willing for it to be corrected; it suits the purposes of the Sentinel better to have it remain \$6.75. The Sentinel had as well realize this fact that the honest yeomanry of Shelby county can not be misled by such misrepresentations as the Sentinel is sending out.

The Sentinel says, "The Populist bosses are trying to resuscitate by administering hyperdermic injections of the same doctrine that put upon the Southern people the carpet-bagger and the reconstructionist."

The above from the pen of a man who never shared the hardships and toils of the Southern men does not come with good grace, and the gentlemen to whom the Sentinel refers, we do not believe are men who ever advocated such principles. On the other hand we believe them to be men of loyalty to the cause of right and justice, and men whose characters can not be besmeared by the foul pen of a writer like this. We do not believe that the Populist of Shelby county are carpet-baggers, nor do we believe that the principles advocated by the Populist are those which embody the corruption and rottenness of carpet-bagism and reconstruction. The men at whom the gross insult is thrust feel that the people of Shelby county know that such is the basest and most insulting rot, and that it comes from the most foul and prejudiced pen imaginable. Two thirds of the old Confederate soldiers are Populist, and we imagine that they will see that the Sentinel and its candidates get a black eye at the November election. The man or newspaper that tries to put these men along side of the carpet-baggers and reconstructionist will receive the stamp of their disapproval.

If the Sentinel Editor had known the facts as they existed, he would have never recalled the times when the discussion was held at Harpersville and Wilsonville and other places in this county, when the whole state, with all its forces was arrayed against the Populist in this county. This brings back to the memories of our people the times when Populist were not allowed their rights at the ballot box. This recalls the times when men who were fairly elected to office in this county were robbed of their rightful offices by the Democratic party. This recalls the times when Democratic officials would not approve the bonds of the Populist officers, which were amply and sufficiently secured. This recalls the times when honest citizens had to shoulder their guns and demand their rights. This recalls the times when after officers were elected to office that attempts were made to

W. B. BROWNE,
President.

W. L. FARLEY,
Cashier.

COLUMBIANA SAVINGS BANK.

Statement of Condition January 1, 1904.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 16,782.77	Capital Stock	\$15,000.00
Bank building, fixtures	7,000.00	Deposits	52,639.61
Other Real Estate	3,000.00	Due Banks	2,263.00
Cash & with other banks	43,119.84		
Total	\$69,902.61	Total	\$69,902.61

I, W. L. FARLEY, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. FARLEY, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this Jan. 1st, 1904.

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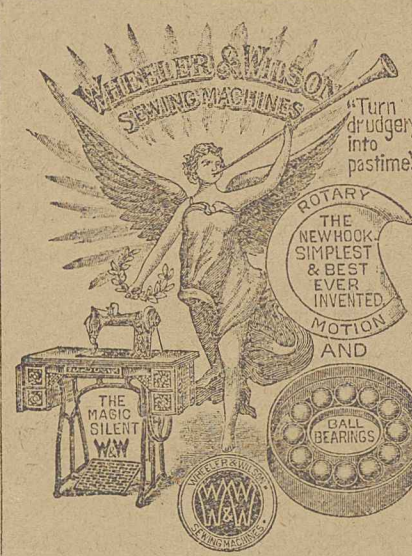
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Notice to Taxpayers.

Notice is hereby given that the books of assessments for the current year has been prepared by the Tax Assessor and is ready for inspection by the tax payers, and that the Court of county Commissioners will sit on the second Monday in July to examine the Assessor's returns and to correct any errors therein.

This May 1st, 1904.

A. P. LONGSHORE,
Judge of Probate.

THROWN FROM A WAGON.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by Williams Bros.

Notice to the Old Confederate Soldiers.

The Pension Board of Shelby county will meet at the Courthouse in the town of Columbiana on the 4th day, (Monday,) of July, 1904; to examine applicants for pensions. We earnestly insist that those who intend to make application to be sure to have their papers properly made out and signed as shown by blanks. Present your applications in person if possible when the board opens, so we can examine them and put them in shape. The Board closes on July 14th. You can get blanks at Probate Judge's office.

DR. A. T. ROWE, M. D.
S. H. GIST,
Commissioners.

TRIUMPHS OF MODERN SURGERY.

Wonderful things are done for the human body in surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are spliced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries, causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by Williams Bros.

WORST OF ALL EXPERIENCES.
Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newton, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insupportable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel troubles. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. "For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co."

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two F. Fas. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the store house formerly occupied by Columbiana Grocery Company, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 11th day of JUNE, 1904, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One lounge, 1 pair scales, 28 pounds nails, 48 packages cheerools, 1 gun far, 3 candel jars, 31 pieces jewelry, 2 packages legal cap paper, 1 lot violin strings, 1 show case, 1 soda fount and tanks, 1 thread case, 1 pill case, 1 filter, 2 lamp chimneys, 1 prescription case and contents, 15 packages stock powder, 1 pair counter scales, 1 and 1/2 casks butter, 1 show case, 1 case collar buttons, 1 lot fish hooks, 1 paper cutter, 12 pounds paper, 1 piano, 20 brooms, 13 pounds tobacco, 2 1/2 dozen boxes blueing, 34 boxes axle grease, 1 case Pearlina, 34 boxes lye, 1 case snuff, 2 pieces cakes snuff, 1 case soap, 66 bars soap, 1 case ball lye, 2 dozen cakes soap, 4 boxes gum, 1 lot family groceries, 1 lot drugs and drug sundries.

Leveled upon as the property of E. D. Hall and S. A. Hall, to satisfy said F. Fas. in my hands in favor of Cawthon Coleman Company.
This 1st day of June, 1904.
R. F. COX, Sheriff.

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One saw mill, with 45 horse power boiler and 35 horse power engine; one planing mill and fixtures to go with same. In good condition. Also three yoke of oxen, two log drays, and one pair of mules; harness and wagon. Will sell on reasonable terms. Apply to

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NOTICE.

I have taken up one dark mare mule, about 12 or 14 years old. Broke well except to plow. The owner can get her by paying for this notice.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Probate court was in session Monday.

Mrs. J. I. Abercrombia was quite sick Sunday.

Walter Ozley, of beat 7, was in the city last Friday.

Thee Elliott, of Ebenezer, was in town last Thursday.

J. W. Millstead, of Wilsonville, was in the city Monday.

George Mason spent Sunday in the city with his family.

F. M. Wilkins, of Wilsonville, was in the city Sunday night.

T. W. Whatley, of Calera, was in the city Monday on business.

There was all day singing down at Summer Hill church last Sunday.

D. M. Wallace, of Weldon, was among the visitors in the city Saturday.

Tom Norris spent Saturday and Sunday in Birmingham with friends.

John Merrell, of Shelby, spent Sunday afternoon in the city with friends.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant, of Bamford, was in the city Monday on business.

Mrs. Max. Lefkowitz returned Friday from a visit to relatives in Bessemer.

Mrs. Geo. Mansfield visited relatives at Goodwater a few days this week.

Prof. John Stone, of Calvary, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Mrs. W. S. Nelson, of Wylam, visited relatives here a few days this week.

Mrs. I. W. Bailey, of Calera, visited relatives in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lulan Meroney, of Avondale, spent Saturday in the city with relatives.

Charlie Brooks, of the L. & N. R. R., spent Sunday in the city with his family.

Mrs. W. S. Meroney, of Avondale, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

W. F. Thetford, of Montgomery, was in town last Thursday and Friday on business.

Oscar Lawley, of Birmingham, visited relatives and friends here a few days last week.

Mrs. W. B. Browne and Chester Browne returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Montgomery.

Brasher Walls and Claude Nelson, of Birmingham, spent Friday in the city with relatives and friends.

Dr. B. H. Smothers, of Redlawn, was in the city Saturday and had the Advocate sent to him for one year.

Miss Marie Redding, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to her home at Longview Friday.

We had a fine rain Monday afternoon, which came in time to save the gardens and farms from burning up.

Miss Lallage Longshore, who graduated at the Judson Institute last week at Marion, returned home last Friday.

Everything seems to be quiet in the way of local news this week, but maybe we failed to see them come and go.

Several of our young people went down to Shelby Friday night to the closing exercises of the school at that place.

C. C. Stamps, of Redlawn, was in town Saturday and reports that the crops in that part of the county are in good condition.

Mrs. T. H. Watersworth, who has been quite sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cromwell, we are glad to state, is improving slowly.

Mrs. J. S. Pitts and Mrs. Henry Milner returned last Thursday from Vincent where they attended the closing exercises of the school at that place.

L. M. Dyke, after spending Thursday in the city, returned to Collinsville Friday, accompanied by his wife. They will make Collinsville their future home.

A. P. Longshore, J. H. Mason, W. F. Davis, J. N. Robertson and Henry Latham attended the funeral of George Taylor at Wilsonville Wednesday afternoon.

See Sheriff's sale in this issue.

Frank Robertson, of beat 9, was in town Saturday.

R. E. Bowden, of Hardyville, was in the city Wednesday.

H. M. Millstead was in Birmingham a short while Tuesday.

W. A. Brasher, of Vandiver, was in town a short while Friday.

C. C. Elliott and little son, of Vincent, were in the city Wednesday.

Miss Fannie Cason, of Birmingham, is visiting relatives in the city.

The protracted meeting closed at the Methodist church Tuesday night.

The Democratic Executive Committee met here Wednesday afternoon.

J. S. Falkner, of Vincent, was among the visitors in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. Simon Friedberger and children returned Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Catherine.

Arthur Millstead and wife are now keeping house over near Mrs. J. B. Gorman's on the Shelby Springs street.

Walter O'Hara, who has been attending Howard College at East Lake, returned home Tuesday to spend the summer.

The city cemetery has been cleaned up and put in good shape, which was very badly needed. W. G. Parker had charge of the work.

Jim Millstead, after spending several days with relatives in the city, returned to St. Louis, Mo., Tuesday.

Prof. J. C. Harper, of East Saginaw, was in town Saturday and paid his subscription to the Advocate a year in advance. We would like for all of our subscribers to do the same thing.

The finest wheat we have seen this year was brought in by J. B. Pitts Wednesday. It was raised on his place near town. Bruton is an up-to-date farmer, which we are proud of.

Mr. S. L. Appleman, of Indiana, and Mrs. Alice F. Thompson were quietly married Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock at the residence of the bride on Depot street. Rev. G. T. Harris of the Methodist church performing the ceremony.

Rev. Joseph Duglins, of Talladega, has been in the city several days visiting Rev. John Milner. We learn that he will probably have charge of the Presbyterian church at this place, and also the churches at Calera and Montevallo.

There was a little change in the schedules of the Southern passenger trains Sunday. The South-bound train now arrives at 1:32 instead of 1:49 P. M. The North-bound passenger train and the local freight trains are on the same old schedule.

The communications from Four-mile, Liberty and Quito did not reach us until Thursday afternoon of last week, which was too late for publication. Be sure and send in your correspondents so they will reach us by Tuesday afternoon. We want correspondents from everywhere.

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Jackson's Mill near Vincent.

Little Miss Idis Walton, of Weldon, spent Sunday here with her aunt, Mrs. Will Miller.

There has been a considerable lot of changing about here in the past week for some cause or other.

William Kelley and family, of Vincent, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.

Sam Wilder and wife left last week for Etowah county their future home.

Bennie Smith, spent Saturday night and Sunday on Yellow Leaf creek with his parents and best girl.

M. J. Sullivan and family, of Weldon, were in the city Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives.

W. J. Maddox and family visited relatives in Chilton county last week and reported a nice time.

Mex L. Sharbutt has a petition for an R. F. D. route from Vincent by this place to Union church and back to Vincent. We wish it much success.

D. W. Sharbutt transacted business up at Vincent Saturday afternoon.

Don't forget the singing at Taylors camp school house Sunday. Everybody is cordially invited to come and bring well filled baskets and all the song books you can.

The Sentinel is puffing and blowing like a young steam engine about the present administration, but is attracting but little attention.

There has been quite a lot of cotton chopped in the valley in the past week or two.

Quite a crowd of our good people attended the closing exercises of the Vincent High school last week and reported it a very nice occasion.

We learn that the good people of Harpersville had childrens day Sunday, but as usual Wild Bill was left behind.

Poor Me was like the sagers mule on the 21st, he was way up in the cool, and couldn't face the racket.

Several of the boys spent Saturday afternoon on Yellow Leaf creek on a pleasure trip.

J. A. Blankenship transacted business up at Calci's one day last week.

Geo. Weathers moved a family to Vincent Saturday afternoon. We are unable up to this writing to learn the most important part of it, their names.

D. W. Sharbutt paid Weldon a flying trip one day last week.

Rinnie Blankenship and sister, Miss Effie, attended divine worship at Macedonia Sunday.

You should have seen Wild Bill "saging" last week. It would have made a monkey laughed to see him chopping cotton. Can do most any thing else though.

Well, I am awful tired and sleepy. Father will want me to chop cotton to morrow, so I will close for this time and retire for the night and dream of that little girl of mine I love so well.

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Dargin.

R. L. Hill, of Hardyville, passed through one day last week.

C. W. O'Hara, of Columbiana, passed through our town last week.

J. S. Evans paid Birmingham a business trip last Monday.

J. M. Baker visited relatives at Tacoma Sunday.

Frank Harless and family and Prof. W. S. McEwen visited friends and relatives on Fourmile Saturday and Sunday.

H. B. Nabors went to Montevallo Saturday.

Several of our young people attended the singing at Summer Hill Sunday.

Sydney Lynch, of Lynch, visited his uncle, Frank Lynch, Saturday night.

Mrs. John Wyatt, of Spring Creek, visited her sister, Mrs. Lynch, here Friday.

J. C. Frost, of Spring Creek, was circulating in our town last week.

A. C. Leonard and wife attended services at South Calera Sunday.

Mrs. Wagner, of Anniston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. O'Neal here.

Dr. H. L. Williams was in our town a short while Monday evening.

Mrs. H. L. Williams visited relatives in our town last week.

Well, from the way the crops look at present we are going to have another short crop of cotton, but perhaps we will get enough in price to make up for a big crop, oats are almost a failure and corn is small and needing rain.

I guess from the way the Almighty Sentinel is crawling, I guess he has about decided he has "bit off more than he can chew." When ever a 2x4 paper like the Sentinel undertakes to deceive the people with such "rot" as he has been giving us, he will soon find that he has overestimated his smothering ability and underrated the people. There is not a man that was a citizen of the county at the time the books were turned over to W. A. Tallant, but what knows better that to believe such stuff. As a rule it is always the empty wagon that makes the most noise.

Bro, I want to say you are heading right onto the breakers and your vessel will go to the bottom in November.

BUFFALO BILL & CO.

Dyke's Mill.

Health of community not very good. Miss Lydia Dyke is very sick at this writing. We hope for her an early recovery.

J. R. Dyke has been very ill, but is improving.

Mrs. Julia Richey has been helpless with rheumatism, but we are glad to state that she is improving.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Richey last Saturday, and taken away their baby, aged 4 months. We extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

There was not any Sunday school at this place Sunday owing to the burials services.

We have had a nice rain, which was badly needed. Now the old-noppers can begin to stir the earth for grass will grow.

Quite a number of friends from Sterrett visited this place Sunday.

Hurrah for John R. He was the successful party to receive the nomination for Circuit Clerk. Let everybody that believes in true Republican government put their shoulders to the wheel and shove from now until the election is over, then Shelby county will go solid Honest John.

Well, what has become of E. Saw. We would like to hear from him again.

We are to have a singing here the third Sunday in June. All lovers of good music are invited to come and bring your friends. Let us all come out with well filled baskets and spend the day in the services of our Lord.

TAR HEELS.

STARLING EVIDENCE.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from E. J. McFarland Bentonville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

"Dogwood Items."

Rev. A. T. Lucas, of Dry Valley, spent Saturday night and Sunday here.

Will Swinly, of Gurnee, spent Sunday in and around town.

Oscar Harrison, of Gurnee, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Jno. M. Fancher, of Montevallo, spent Saturday night and Sunday in town.

J. D. Stripling went over to Calera, Saturday to transact business.

W. E. Harrison, and little daughter, Ruby, are visiting relatives and friends at Connorsville and Abiant this week.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant passed through town Saturday last en route to Calera.

Miss Sallie A. Ryan is very sick at this writing. We hope that she may be restored to good health at an early date.

Every one in and around here is feeling lots better since we have been blessed with a nice rain.

Arthur Allen, Huston and Richard Hunt, went down to Clanton last week to play ball with them against the Indians.

C. L. and Ellis Lucas, of Gurnee, spent Sunday in and around town with relatives and friends.

C. D. & F.

Cedar Grove.

Did Judas eat the bread and wine? Our Sunday school was small Sunday.

Farmers are not looking so long faced this week as we have been blessed with a few showers.

Bob Smith, of Helena, was out driving with Miss Ida Sunday.

K. B. Nickerson, the leading merchant of Slurria, was the happy escort of Miss Nellie Sunday.

We are glad to note that Ed Lambert has returned to our Sunday school.

S. L. Walker and wife spent Sunday at Macedonia and reports a good time and a fine dinner, the latter you will always find in the country, if you don't believe it come to the grove.

Miss Della Walker has returned to Maylene, where she will spend a few weeks with relatives and friends.

J. E. Walker, of Helena, was out driving with Miss Maud Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Guy, of Bessemer, is visiting homefolks, W. F. Wyatts here this week.

Wonder what has become of Bud? PETE.

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c. at Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

Nelson News.

Health of community good.

Cliff Nelson, Walter Baldwin, Tom and Elma McGiboney attended the singing at Summer Hill Sunday and report a nice time.

Miss Minnie McGiboney is visiting friends in Birmingham this week.

Several of our young people attended the singing at Liberty Sunday.

The ice cream supper given by Misses Letitia and Bertha Crowson Saturday night was enjoyed by all present.

Bruce West and wife, of Montevallo, spent a part of last week with their parents here.

The farmers are looking very pleasant since the rain.

MEXICAN.

For sick headache take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Bros.

Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filled in my office a list of delinquent Tax Payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due and therein reported as assessed to you the following real estate and to "Owner Unknown," to-wit:

BEAT 1.

A. Culverston—Lots 8 and 10, block 98, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$127; printers fee 45.

Robert Davis, col—NW qr of nw qr, and w half of sw qr of nw qr, sec 14, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 98.

Wm Lewis—SE qr of sw qr, sec 6, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$1.68; printers fee 63.

Alex McKay—Lot 4, block 97, lot 10, block 96, lot 22, block 116, lot 29, block 115, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$2.58; printers fee 128.

Martha B. Murphy, col—N half of lot 210 feet wide and 250 feet long at or near the culvert at Shelby Springs, adjoining half lot of H. S. D. Mallory. Tax and cost \$1.68; printers fee 127.

G. G. Varner and Jas Knight, col—Lot No 15, block 116, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$1.34; printers fee 63.

W. J. D. Williams—NW qr of nw qr, sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$1.54; printers fee 63.

D. S. and W. T. Brooks—NE qr of sw qr, less 15 acres off south end, sec 34, tp 17, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$1.84; printers fee 98.

Dr. E. A. Mathews—SE qr of sw qr, sec 14, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$15.00; printers fee 63.

Mrs. C. J. Welch—Half acre lot and cottage thereon, between public road and railroad track in nw qr, sec 7, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.90; printers fee 102.

Mrs. Lucy Little—Lot 9 and lot 10 B and lots C, S, in se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 8, tp 24, r 12 e. Tax and cost \$6.55; printers fee 116.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$3.87; printers fee 63.

Pat Edwards, col—N half of ne qr, sec 30, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$3.80; printers fee 95.

Frank Wilby—One vacant lot in Columbiana, Ala. 22 feet square bounded on the north by property of L. M. Dyke and east and west by the Dyke property. Tax and cost \$2.83; printers fee 102.

J. W. McCarty—S half of se qr and S half of sw qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 24, tp 18, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.20; printers fee 102.

H. McGill—Southwest quarter of southwest quarter less 5 acres S. R. ne qr of sw qr less 1 acre S. R. sec 26, tp 20, r 4 w; e half of se qr of sw qr, sec 35, tp 20, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$3.75; printers fee 128.

W. D. McGinnis—Lot 1 block 2, lot 1 block 3, known as the Christie lot, Helena, Ala. Tax and cost \$7.69; printers fee 74.

Geo. D. Reed—E half of ne qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$3.43; printers fee 63.

Jno. L. Goodson—Half interest in w half of ne qr and se qr of nw qr and w half of ne qr, sec 3, tp 20, r 2 w; all nw qr of sw qr, sec 28, tp 20, r 2 w; se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 29, tp 20, r 2 w; ne qr of se qr and w half of se qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$10.74; printers fee 255.

Mrs. Lula G. Green—SW qr of ne qr and nw qr of ne qr, sec 15, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$4.13; printers fee 88.

Florence Glyn, col—NE qr of nw qr, sec 2, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 63.

Fannie Harrison, col—SW qr of nw qr, sec 31, tp 21, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$2.93; printers fee 63.

Terrell Coal Co.—N half of ne qr, and a half of nw qr, sec 10, tp 19, r 2 w; ne qr of sw qr, sec 15, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of se qr and e half of sw qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 3 w; sw qr of sw qr and sw qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 17, tp 20, r 3 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w; se qr of sw qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$19.68; printers fee \$4.41.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of ne qr, sec 15, tp 21, r 4 w; w half of se qr, S. R. sec 34, tp 21, r 4 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 2, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$5.91; printers fee 452.

Owner Unknown—NW qr of sw qr, sec 30, tp 21, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$3.33; printers fee 60.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of se qr, sec 14, tp 24, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$4.03; printers fee 60.

BEAT 3.</

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TO CHRISTEN VULCAN

Tuesday, June 7th. Chosen as the Day for Dedication of the Alabama Exhibit.

HOLMES WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

Miss Miriam Jackson, Daughter of President of Board of Trade, Will Christen Statue.

Vulcan and the Alabama exhibit at the St. Louis exposition will be dedicated on Tuesday, June 7th.

Dr. J. A. Holmes, who has charge of the department of mines and metallurgy, will speak on "The Alabama Iron Fields." The remainder of the program for the dedicatory exercises will be as follows:

Music—Philippine band.

Address of Welcome—President Francis, of the exposition company.

Address—President Fred M. Jackson, of the Commercial Club.

Music—Philippine band.

Report of Exhibit—James A. MacKnight.

Christening Vulcan—Miss Miriam Jackson, the little daughter of President Jackson.

Music—Philippine band.

The Kentucky building has been loaned to Alabama for the reception which will be tendered after the dedicatory exercises, and an informal reception will be tendered the guests.

Admission to the reception will be by card.

JAS. L. TANNER IS DEAD.

The End Came at Gadsden Friday Night.

Colonel James L. Tanner died Friday night after a long and lingering illness. He was among the best known men in Alabama, a noted lawyer and politician, making a race for secretary of state in the last state election. For the last six months he has been lingering with some spinal affection.

In Gadsden he had been the law partner of Colonel W. H. Denson for several years. When the partnership was dissolved he went to Indianapolis, where he practiced for a short time.

The illness which culminated in his death began soon after the close of his campaign for office two years ago, although his intimate friends knew he was far from being in perfect health even during the campaign.

Colonel Tanner was forty-four years of age.

CAPTAIN MORGAN REPORTS

Alabama National Guard not in the Best Condition.

The inspection of the Alabama National Guard recently made by Captain A. S. Morgan, of the United States artillery corps, has been reported upon by Captain Morgan and his remarks transmitted to General William W. Brandon, adjutant general of the Alabama National Guard.

There are many things that might be changed for the better, Captain Morgan thinks, but he has made as a whole a good report for Alabama boys.

He says some of the officers are much behind in knowledge and regrets that the law in the state is not such as to force them to get better acquainted with their duties. He also calls attention to inadequate equipment of the artillery and says the Third Infantry could take about half force into active service.

The coinage executed at the mints of the United States during May, 1904, amounted to \$44,551,565.

Boy Injured.

The eight-year-old son of Joe Isbell, of Guntersville, was seriously injured by the explosion of a shotgun cartridge which he had crushed between two stones. The shell blew a hole through one of his hands, lacerated his face and wounded him in the stomach.

Editor Released.

The contempt proceedings of Federal Judge Purnell against Josephus Daniels, of the Raleigh, N. C. News and Observer, who has been in custody for refusal to pay a \$2,000 fine, was dismissed and Mr. Daniels was released.

Mr. Daniels was fined by Judge Purnell for editorially criticizing the judge for his actions in appointing receivers for the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad. The appointment of receivers was overruled by Chief Justice Fuller, and now Judge Pritchard has released Mr. Daniels. Telegrams of congratulation are pouring in on Mr. Daniels.

Secretary Taft has approved the allotments made by the quartermaster general of the funds for barracks and quarters at various army posts and for the amounts to be expended during the fiscal year beginning July 1st.

At Houston, Tex., there was turbulence in the street car strike Friday, several men being hurt, and the mayor ordered the light guard to disperse a crowd which had gathered about the office of the car company.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Superintendent of Education Hill Will Try to Get Correct Figures.

The state superintendent of education, Hon. I. W. Hill, is preparing to secure a roll of the children of the state of school age that will be correct. Heretofore, by reason of the methods of enumeration, this has not been possible, and it is thought that some portions of the state are getting more than their proportionate share of school money.

The population of Alabama at the taking of the census in 1900 amounted to 1,828,000, which may reasonably be supposed to have increased to 1,900,000 in this time. It is estimated that the children of school age will number about one-third of the population, which would give 633,000 as against 770,000 as now claimed, or a difference of 37,000. Somewhere there are children not getting what they should have because there are others getting more than they are entitled to.

The old plan of taking the school census was to enumerate by townships. If there was no one to take it, or for any reason otherwise it was not taken, the figures for the year before might be used. As a consequence there are townships in the state that have been rocking along with the same census for several years. A new law passed by the recent session of the legislature redistricts the school territory, saying that the census shall be taken in each school district, and specifying who is to take it, and at what time—August 1st to 15th of this year and every two years thereafter.

Mr. Hill has gotten out a blank on which he will require the trustees to make a complete poll of every child in each district. It will show name, age, color and sex of child, parent or guardian and postoffice address. These blanks will be sent out and arrangements made to have the census taken in all the counties at the same time.

A NEW PROCESS

Reduces Cost of Manufacturing Pig Iron and Steel.

Steel and iron men will be interested to learn that James Gayley, vice president of the United States Steel Corporation, after a long series of experiments, has practically perfected a new process for making steel, which, he believes, will greatly reduce the cost of manufacture.

For years Mr. Gayley has been working upon the process, and has now informed his friends that his experiments indicate that the new method will prove a success. It is understood that they have resulted in reducing the moisture of the air applied in the converting of the ore to pig iron and steel. Other new features have also been introduced. Briefly stated, the Gayley process is a modification of the Bessemer process. The process will be applied in the manufacture of pig iron, as well as steel.

The Public Debt.

The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business May 31st, 1904, the total debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$975,301,631, which is an increase for the month of \$56,447,576. This increase is accounted for by a corresponding decrease in the amount of cash on hand due to Panama canal and St. Louis exposition payments. The cash in the treasury totals \$1,377,468,690, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$1,060,181,175, which leaves a cash balance on hand of \$313,278,515.

Tried to Steal Powder.

An attempt was made to burglarize the city magazine located in the old Exposition park on the outskirts of Columbus, Ga., where a large amount of powder and dynamite is stored.

His Second Attempt.

Herman S. Pettibone, a son of former Congressman Pettibone, of the First Tennessee district, now an employee of the land office stationed in Huntsville, Ala., committed suicide, by taking a mixture of acetic acid and morphine. He made an unsuccessful attempt to end his life about a month ago. Pettibone was 31 years old.

FIVE PRISONERS

Escape from the Jail at Meridian, Miss.

A jail delivery took place at the Meridian, Miss., jail in which five prisoners safely made their escape and are still at liberty. Those who escaped were: Will Beason, charged with highway robbery; Paul Anderson, burglary; Levi McCormick, county convict; Weaver Horton, rape; Jim Holloway, burglary. The five prisoners, all of whom are negroes, effected their escape by filing the bars of the cell corridor.

Nine Killed.

Nine persons are reported to have been killed and many injured in a collision of passenger trains on the Missouri Pacific railroad near Martin City, Kan. The trains met head on.

Complaint was made at the world's police department that silver and gold nuggets, valued at \$1,000, had been stolen from the French section in the mines and metallurgy building.

TEN MEN KILLED

By an Explosion at the Plant of the Corning Distillery Company at Peoria, Ill.

WHISKEY FLOODED THE STREETS

Three Thousand Cattle Were Burned to Death as Fire Spread to Adjoining Stock Pens.

Ten men were killed, a score injured, 30,000 barrels of whiskey destroyed and 3,000 cattle burned to death as the result of an explosion at the plant of the Corning Distillery Company, said to be the largest in the world, at Peoria, Ill., Saturday.

The immense ware house in which the explosion occurred was destroyed, and three other buildings were gutted by flames. The property loss is over \$1,000,000. It is thought that the death list will be increased.

This is the third catastrophe in less than a year to overtake the distillery.

The ten men were buried beneath the ruins by the explosion and burned to death. Six others were seriously injured.

It is believed that all the government men escaped.

The ware house where the first explosion occurred was an eleven-story frame structure, covered with corrugated iron. Two other explosions followed in rapid succession, but their cause has not been determined.

The ware house was 100 by 200 feet and contained 30,000 barrels of spirits. Another ware house containing the cistern room was a three-story brick building 100 by 200 feet. It contained in the neighborhood of 52,000 gallons of spirits. In the two fermenting rooms, which were 100 by 180 feet, were eighteen tubs with a capacity of 1,000 bushels of mash each. They were all filled and contained about 5,000 gallons of spirits each. All this went up in flames, and added to the general loss.

The fire spread to the stock yards, where a dozen large cattle barns, lined with cattle, were burned. The loss to the stock yards is \$250,000.

Critics Give Up Port Arthur.

Leading military authorities expect the early fall of Port Arthur, and view this as a most serious if not irreparable blow to Russia, the present condition of Port Arthur being compared to that of Metz and Sedan during the Franco-Prussian war. It is pointed out that General Kuropatkin is making the same fatal mistake in regard to Port Arthur's ability to resist that the French made in connection with Metz. The military critics disapprove of Kuropatkin's policy of non-resistance.

The advance guard of 14,000 men under General Stakelburg, sent by General Kuropatkin, to the relief of Port Arthur, has reached the entrance to the Liaung Tung peninsula and the bulk of the army is following.

Merchants from the south complain that the Japanese are not paying for supplies taken by them, as they did in the early stages of the war, and assert that they are even ill treated and insulted when they ask for money.

Salaries Increased.

These changes in salaries of Alabama postmasters were announced: Increased, Roanoke, Sheffield, Talladega, Thomasville and Wetumpka \$100 each. Decrease, Uniontown from \$1,400 to \$1,300. James M. Sandlin has been appointed postmaster at Wilburn, Cullman county, vice John G. Sandlin, resigned.

Corner Stone Laid.

The corner stone of the new federal building was laid at Greenville, Tenn., Saturday. The ceremonies were conducted by the Masons. Judge H. H. Ingersoll, of Knoxville, delivered an oration. The building when completed will cost \$110,000.

SECOND SUICIDE

Resulting from Derangement Because of the Baltimore Fire.

Peyton Wyeth, of Philadelphia, an insurance man, said to be temporarily unemployed because of losses incurred in the Baltimore fire by the company for which he was assistant manager, committed suicide in Brooklyn by taking cyanide of potassium.

Killed by Heavy Timber.

While superintending the unloading of a boiler from a flat car, Mr. T. C. Rogers, of Talladega, was hit in the head by a heavy timber, which fractured his skull and from which he died.

Match Heads In Water.

Miss Lula Geary, about 21 years of age, who until recently has been employed at the Bemis cotton mill at Jackson, Tenn., attempted to take her own life. She mixed a number of match heads in water and drank the decoction. She has been in a critical condition and it is uncertain yet whether she will recover. In a note which she wrote she says she is tired of life.

Killed While Hunting.

A dispatch from Rising Fawn, Ga., states that James Rogers, a young man 21 years old and well known in Birmingham, was accidentally killed while hunting. Rogers' gun was accidentally discharged and the entire load entered his stomach.

Memphis, Tenn., will entertain the next convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

COTTON ACREAGE

Is Increased Nearly 10 Per Cent—Condition of the Crop is Good.

The chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture estimates the total area planted in cotton in the United States this season at 31,730,371 acres, an increase of 2,823,016 acres, or of 9.3 per cent upon the acreage planted last year. The average condition of the growing crop on May 26th was 83, as compared with 74.1 on May 26, 1903, and a ten-year average of 85.8.

The percentage of increase in acreage in different states is:

Georgia, 7.1; Florida, 10.7; Alabama, 9.0; Mississippi, 10.5; Louisiana, 13.5; Texas, 7.1; Tennessee, 11.5.

The condition of the crop by states on May 26th was as follows:

Georgia, 78; Florida, 88; Alabama, 80; Mississippi, 85; Louisiana, 86; Texas, 84; Tennessee, 85.

TORNADO IN OKLAHOMA.

One Killed, Several Injured and Property Damaged.

A tornado in the Kiowa and Comanche nations, Okla. T., has demolished a great number of residences and business houses at numerous small towns and laid waste dozens of farms. One person is known to have been killed and about a dozen are believed to have been injured, one fatally. It is reported that the towns of Chattanooga and Faxon, small places, have been entirely wiped out.

Wires are down and details are lacking. The town of Helen also is said to have been completely destroyed.

A rain storm prevailed first, five inches of water falling, washing out crops and ruining many farms. This was followed by a heavy hail storm. A peculiar climatic condition followed. The atmosphere became stifling and then there was a deluge of rain, accompanied by a gale which developed rapidly into a tornado.

GUilty ON THREE COUNTS.

Assistant Postmaster Fined in Three Cases and Confesses in Another.

Charles F. Pieper, formerly assistant postmaster at Choctaw, Ala., and at the time of his arrest postmaster at Carlton, against whom the federal grand jury returned eight indictments for violation of postal laws in connection with securing mail contracts and postoffice funds, was convicted in the United States circuit court on three counts of forgery and fined \$100 in each case. The punishment also carries imprisonment. On Thursday Pieper pleaded guilty to the embezzlement of \$12.75 of postal funds, and was fined \$25 and costs. There remain four indictments to be tried.

FRISCO HELD RESPONSIBLE.

For Death of Clark, Who Was Killed by Jeff Van Horn.

As the result of the first suit of its kind ever brought in the state of Alabama, so far as is known, H. J. Martin, administrator of the estate of Bud Clarke, of Cordova, obtained judgment for \$5,000 against the Frisco railroad for damages for the death of Clarke, who was thrown from a passenger train of that road on September 2, 1903, by Jeff Van Horn, and a few days later. The judge charged the jury that the passenger, Clarke, who was killed, was entitled to the protection of the conductor and the conductor, under a statute, is vested with regular police powers in preserving order on board of trains.

Farmer Kills Himself.

Seaborn Watts, a well-to-do farmer of Cedar Bluff, Cherokee county, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart with a pistol.

It is supposed he was mentally deranged, as he has been showing signs of insanity for years.

Sensational Elopement.

A sensation has been created in Dallas by the elopement of J. L. Phillips, a married man, and Miss Horton, a popular young lady of the village. The couple have been gone a week, but it was not known until today that they were together in St. Louis.

Fatal Railroad Wreck.

By a head-on collision of two Missouri Pacific passenger trains near Mastin, twenty-two miles south of Kansas City, one person was killed and nineteen injured, most of the latter being passengers.

The trains were behind their schedule, and were trying to make up time. No. 36 had orders to take a siding at Mastin, but had not reached that station, and was met on a culvert, a mile beyond Mastin, by the flyer. Both engines were demolished.

The music teachers of Alabama will meet in Birmingham June 14th and 15th for the purpose of organizing a state music teachers' association.

Tornado at Dallas.

A tornado at Dallas, Tex., blew the roof off the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company and caused other damage throughout the city. As far as known no one was hurt. During a cloudburst, accompanied by a tornado, water came through the roof and sixth floor of the telegraph office, flooding the dynamos and completely wrecking one section of the switch board.

FLOODS IN KANSAS

Cause Immense Damage. Rivers Overflowed Twice in Thirty Days.

WATER UP TO SECOND STORIES.

Cloudbursts Add to the Volume of Water—Six Hundred Homes less at Newton.

All tributaries of the Kaw river in Kansas are rising rapidly and a serious flood is threatened. Heavy rains continuing for two days have prevailed over Kansas.

Twice within thirty days most of the streams have overflowed their banks, washing out railroad tracks and crops, destroying much property and rendering several hundred persons temporarily homeless. But each time there came a lull in the rainfall, the rivers receded, and almost normal conditions prevailed.

In the past twenty-four hours, however, heavy rain storms have again swollen the streams, this time beyond the height experienced in the two former rises. Rain continues to fall at many points throughout Kansas and the ultimate results must be that the Kaw, already bankful at many places, will overflow its banks at Kansas City.

Railroad traffic is demoralized and many trains, both east and west-bound, are stalled. The principal streams affected are the Kaw, the Smoky Hill, the Republican and the Marais des Cygnes. So far no casualties have been reported.

At Newton over 600 persons have been rendered homeless by a sudden rise in Sand creek. The flooded district embraces about one-fourth of Newton and in many houses the water stands as high as the second-story windows. The rise in the creek was caused by a cloudburst and the water rose so rapidly that hundreds of persons were caught in their homes. Hundreds of men worked all night rescuing the unfortunates. Morning found all removed to places of safety, but with the water still rising further heavy damage is likely.

At Emporia three inches of rain fell within a few hours and the Cottonwood river flooded the business portion of the town and caused much damage. Commercial street was converted into a river and boats were used.

Council Grove is threatened with a flood as serious as that of last year when the property damage amounted to over \$300,000.

At Parkville the water in the Neosho is within two feet of last year's record and still rising.

Electric Cars Collide.

Six persons were killed and a dozen or more others badly hurt as the result of a collision between electric cars at Norwalk, Ohio.

All those who were killed were in the smoking compartment of the car, and death came instantly. The injuries of several are so serious that they may result fatally.

Just why the accident occurred is not known.

France Wants Cruisers.

The naval budget provides a total appropriation of \$62,000,000, which is \$1,050,000 in excess of the budget for the current year. The increase is largely in a provision for a reserve for armored cruisers for the northern squadron and a division of torpedo destroyers for the Asiatic squadron. A general reorganization of the coast defense is also provided for.

Lost a Leg in Mid Air.

While at work on a twenty-story building in lower Broadway, New York, John Sullivan, a laborer, fell five stories and lost one of his legs in mid air. Sullivan struck an iron girder with great force. It cut off one of his limbs above the knee like a knife.

May Be Built Yet.

A story is current in railroad circles that the Frisco system is seriously considering at this time the advisability of constructing a line from Vicksburg to Birmingham, to follow the route of the proposed Vicksburg and Birmingham railroad, which was chartered several years ago, and a preliminary survey made. The plan now being considered is said to be to build a line from Canton to Carthage, Miss., and afterwards follow up the entire route as laid down in the original Vicksburg and Birmingham survey.

A. O. U. W. Supreme Master Dead.

Supreme Master Workman William H. Miller, of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, died at a Battle Creek, Mich., sanitarium Friday night from kidney trouble after an illness of several weeks.

It is said that the request of the United States for the co-operation of France in bringing about the release of Ion Perdicaris and Cromwell Varley has produced a very favorable impression at Paris, where much significance is attached to the request, as embodying the first distinct international recognition of France's paramount influence in Morocco.

M. Lewin, a prominent Shreveport, La., merchant, committed suicide by shooting. He was 67 years of age. He leaves a widow and daughter, who reside in Berlin, Germany. The cause of the deed is unknown.

At Greenville, Pa., the United Presbyterians have selected Washington, Iowa, as the next place of meeting. Dr. R. A. Hutchinson, of Altoona, Pa., was elected moderator.

Grenada, Miss., has a new postmaster in the person of A. S. Weigert.

ORDERED TO PORT ARTHUR.

Czar Sends Kuropatkin to the Relief of the Russian Gibraltar.

Viceroy Alexieff and General Kuropatkin having asked the emperor to settle their disputes, his majesty summoned a council of war. General Kuropatkin has been advised to attempt to relieve the fortress, but to act with the greatest prudence.

Telegrams from different points seem to confirm the rumors that General Kuropatkin is making a diversion in the direction of Port Arthur. Russian reinforcements, according to a dispatch from Tien Tsin, are moving southward aggregating 12,000 men. Another brigade is following, the intention being to engage the Japanese now attacking Port Arthur in their rear.

No further news of any kind has been received about the movement of the Japanese forces. Both Generals Kuropatkin and Oku are working in the utmost secrecy.

The Russians have completed eleven fortresses at Liaung Yang and are laying mines at a distance of 5,000 feet around them.

A Russian warrior is quoted as saying:

"If Kuropatkin is weak enough to advance, he will commit a serious blunder. The number of his troops is insufficient, and the conditions under which he would act are unfavorable. He might meet an almost irreparable reverse, and Port Arthur be further from relief than ever. If we try to relieve Port Arthur we will be doing exactly what the Japanese hope."

Russian naval contractors have been advised that final preparations for the Baltic fleet must be completed by the first week of August.

A St. Petersburg telegram says two submarines started for the far east Friday.

An additional force of 15,000 Japanese is reported landed at Takushan.

SURRENDERED THE RAILROAD.

But Not Until Sensational Scenes Were Enacted.

The final scenes in surrendering the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad to North Carolina's authority were sensational. Judge Purnell approved the bond required in the supersedeas of Chief Justice Fuller, saying that he doubted its legality, as it was signed out of the circuit by the chief justice, but he would approve it in deference to his superior officer. He also questioned as to whether the state could get possession of the receivers without a further order.

Governor Aycock wired the superintendent of the road at Newbern to take possession. The answer came back that the receivers would not recognize his authority, though warned that this was at their peril. Superintendent Dill asked if he should put them out.

Governor Aycock telegraphed back to put them out of the office, and if necessary call on the sheriff to do so, adding:

"If military is needed, notify me. Order of Chief Justice Fuller shall be obeyed."

The governor wired authority to the sheriff and military to act if needed, saying the order of the chief justice should be enforced with the whole power of the state.

Finally, by the use of more conservative force, Receivers McBea and Mears were removed.

The arrival of President Bryan, of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, was signaled by the shrieking of whistles, ringing of bells, explosion of torpedoes, and salvos of cheers.

Mexican Veterans, Too.

The veterans of the Mexican war will meet in Nashville at the same time the confederate veterans hold their reunion.

3 1-3c a Year.

A New York judge has sentenced two men to nine years and six months in prison for stealing thirty cents. The men are ex-convicts, it is said, and were found guilty of holding up a woman. The fact that her purse, which they snatched, was almost empty did not lessen their crime in the eyes of the court.

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BREVITIES BY WIRE.

Professor James A. Anderson, assistant state geologist, who has charge of the Alabama geological exhibit at the world's fair, says that Vulcan is the greatest thing at the fair and is attracting more attention than any exhibit from the south. "So smooth is the great cast," says Professor Anderson, "that it is impossible to make visitors believe that the statue is of iron, and it is necessary to keep a large hammer near so that skeptics may strike the iron and hear its ring."

The ladies of Opelika are agitating the question of the erection of a monument to the memory of the soldiers who gave their lives to the "lost cause." An appeal will be made to the citizens to begin a fund for this worthy object. Already some special articles have been written presenting the merits of the proposed plan and calling on the people of Opelika to rally to the work.

The steel plant of the Alabama Steel and Wire Company in Gadsden will be making steel in three weeks. The open hearth furnaces are drying out and nearly everything has been completed around the plant of starting. The large furnace which has been making foundry iron for the past ten days has been changed and is running on basic iron.

Commissioner of Agriculture Poole says that it is almost impossible to get expert agriculturists to take charge of these departments at the state agricultural schools. He is looking all over the country for men, but they are hard to find. The wages are good and the work pleasant.

The Rev. Dr. Anson West, president of Owenton college,

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COUNTY TICKET.

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JOHN S. PITTS.

For Tax Collector:
W. A. BRASHER.

For County Treasurer:
W. E. HARRISON.

For Supt. of Education:
J. O. DOROUGH.

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J. E. DYKES.

For Commissioner 2nd District:
JAMES M. ALLEN.

For Commissioner 3rd District:
PLEASANT SHAW.

For Commissioner 4th District:
G. W. GREEN.

For Coroner:
J. F. ATCHISON.

The people of Shelby county remember very well how badly they have been treated by the Democratic party in this county—and they will also remember it when the time comes to vote in November.

The citizens of this county will rebel against such reflections as the Sentinel is thrusting at the people, when it has such little regard and respect for the Populist as to excuse them of carpet bagging and reconstruction. Don't fool yourself Carrie, the citizens of this county are respectable and decent even though you do not regard them as such.

When the Sentinel says that the Populist are advocating the principles which brought carpet bagging and reconstruction upon the southern people, it thrusts a stich in the nostril of every law abiding citizen in this county, and when the time comes to vote in November we believe the people will put their stamp of disapproval on such infamous rot by voting against the Sentinel and its kind.

The Sentinel says "you can start just any old yarn and the people will be kept away from the facts." Carrie that seems to be your style, and you have proven your sincerity in the above by starting so many "old yarns." But Carrie, let us inform you if you please, that you have struck a "knot." The people of Shelby county think for themselves, and you are mistaken when you think the people are believing these yarns of yours.

The action of the Postmaster's Convention in Calera last Saturday does not please any great number of the rank and file Republicans.—Sentinel.

And from the long faces among the Democratic candidates and supporters, the nominations were not what you wanted. But Carrie, the rank and file of the Republicans and the Populist are so well pleased with the ticket that after November you can "go away back and sit down."

The Populist administration spent about \$700 of the people's money to pay freight upon and make an experimental demonstration with the good roads machinery. That was a Democratic trick, too, was it?—Sentinel.

We don't think there was any trick in it. But we will ask the Sentinel if a Democratic commissioner did not make the motion to try the machinery as an experiment? By this experiment the county sustained no loss as to that, and there could be no blame attached to the commissioners for having tried this experiment, because many citizens have testified that the work done by the road machinery has more than repaid the county for the freight. No, Carrie, it is believed that the Democratic trick about it is, that the machinery is being kept in this county by the Democratic party for campaign blunder.

The Sentinel has a great many sweet and juicy editorials on the Populist party going back to its first love—Democratic party. But that is like the sixteen thousand dollar proposition—it is too high up in "G." Carrie, you get your sights too high and let your aspirations to redeem (?) old Shelby run away with the truth of your argument. You must not get it in your head that you are just going to "sweep stakes" whether the people say so or not.

Phillips, the great Irish orator once said, "Any party or organization that seeks supremacy by prejudicing the minds of the people, is a menace to good government, and when such a state of affairs shall have come to a nation or a country anarchy will reign supreme." No truer words were ever spoken, and the people of any community should study the meaning of the great orator.—Sentinel.

The Sentinel admonishes the people to study the meaning of the great orator. Well, that is not a bad admonition, but how about the Sentinel taking this home to itself? You should practice what you preach, and too you can profit by taking half the caution.

The Sentinel has had a great deal to say about the Advocate trying to prejudice the people. Is the reference to carpet baggers and reconstructionist by the Sentinel not intended to prejudice the people? Is not that a stich in the nostrils of every law abiding citizen? If the Sentinel is sincere in writing such stuff as this, then the insult grows into the most torpid and malignant form. What manner of man is he who will thrust such an insult into the faces of citizens who were reared in our midst and whose fathers fought, bled and died in defense of their country, and in rebellion to such principles as carpet bagging and reconstruction. Take the citizens of Shelby county and test them and take the author of the insulting paragraph and compare their records along this line. By what authority does the Sentinel charge the Populist of being carpet baggers and reconstructionist. Does it come from the pen of a man whose lot has ever been cast among the citizens of this great Southland of ours. The soul of every true citizen burns with feeling of regret that such words are even conceived in the bosom of any of our citizens, to say nothing of their production and publication. Shame on a party whose mouth piece has no more regard and such utter disrespect for its fellow man than to thrust such insults as this. Let the day soon come, and yea, we believe it at hand when the enlightened public places its seal of condemnation upon such rot.

Would you believe that the Sentinel would have your best interest treasured in its bosom when it says the principles you advocate are those which brought carpet-bagging and reconstruction upon the southern people. Can the Sentinel have any regard for a man or men who advocate these principles? Yet it says these very men who advocate these degrading and abominable devices, have served their connection with the Populist party, and going right back to the Sentinel's crowd; notwithstanding however, that the Sentinel makes these vile and degrading charges against them. Is it true, or is the Sentinel talking "through its hat" like it was when it branched the \$16,000 proposition? Now, the whole truth is this, the Sentinel is chug full of untarnished littleness and prejudice against the Populist. If it wasn't so, then it would not make such false and malicious statements. It would have more regard for its fellow men than to try to besmirch them with such degrading and insulting rot. It would have more regard for the truth than to make such false statements about things which (if it had wanted to) could have found out the truth. But ah! Carrie, you have conceived in your own foul mind that you are "it" and that all you have to do, is to get your little wit coupled with your wonderful power to falsely together and just put the Populist, with their vile and filthy principles and leaders out of "biz." Now Carrie, the Populist are trembling and moaning under the influence of your heavy arm. Doubtless many of them will turn from their wayward way of sin and debauchery in advocating such principles as you say they do, but we think it will be a snowy day in August when such infamous rot influences the citizens of Shelby county.

Populist Conventions.

National convention, Springfield, Ill., July 4.

Texas: State delegate convention, Dallas, June 9th, to select delegates-at-large to Springfield.

Kentucky: State mass convention, Louisville, Saturday, July 2, to select delegates to Springfield and nominate presidential electors.

Kansas: State convention to convene at Topeka, August 3, to nominate state ticket and presidential electors.

Iowa: State mass convention to elect delegates to Springfield, June 30, at Albion Hotel, Des Moines.

Missouri: Fourteenth congressional district, Doniphan, Ripley county, June 15, to nominate candidate for congress and elect delegates to national convention.

Illinois: State mass convention at St. Nicholas Hotel, Springfield, June 1, to elect delegates to national convention.

Texas: First congressional district, Cooper, June 4, mass convention to elect delegates to national convention.

Texas: Fifth congressional district, Dallas, June 9, to elect delegates to national convention.

Nebraska: State delegate convention, Fremont, Tuesday, June 21, to elect delegates to national convention.

Nebraska: State delegate convention, Lincoln, Aug. 10, to nominate state ticket.

New Mexico: Territorial mass convention, Roswell, June 25, to elect delegates to national convention.

The above from the Missouri World does not correspond with some of the monstrous and flaming editorials of the Sentinel when it says that the Populist party is dead damned and forgotten. The above is only a little mention of the Populist party in the U. S. and from this alone it can be seen that the Sentinel don't know it all yet. Carrie, you say the Populist party is dead, but we are inclined to think you will find it to be the liveliest corpse you ever run up against about November, 1904.

The Populist administration has given the people good roads, good bridges and good government. The Sentinel is continuously attacking the road question and is placing itself on record as against any improvement in this line. The roads are in the best condition they have ever been in this county, and the Sentinel is sorry of it because the Populist administration is the cause of it. Look here Carrie! You ought to give even the Populist credit for any good they may have done, but your eyes are blind to anything creditable to the Populist.

The Populist Executive Committee convened at the Courthouse last Saturday, and a full attendance was on hand and much interest was manifested. Among the routine of business, was the matter of a joint discussion in the county. A communication was received from the opposing party, and committees were appointed to confer with their committee.

Rules For Teachers.

Secretary W. B. Feagin of the State Board of Examiners announced yesterday that holders of third grade teacher's certificates would be re-elected of examination in the branches covered by the third grade certificates when they applied for examination for a second grade certificate.

The ruling of the Board of Examiners as announced by Secretary Feagin provides that applicants who successfully stand the examination in geography, grammar, arithmetic, United States history and Alabama history shall be granted a third grade certificate, if they already hold second grade certificates. The State law provides that applicants for a third grade certificate shall be examined in orthography, penmanship, reading, grammar, practical arithmetic through fractions, primary geography and the elementary principles of hygiene.

Under the new ruling of the Board of Examiners the applicants for third grade certificates who already hold second grade certificates, will not be examined in the foregoing branches, the possession of their second grade certificate standing for their proficiency in those studies. By sending their third grade certificate along with their examination papers they will be granted a second grade certificate if they successfully pass the additional branches.

The ruling is of great importance to thousands of Alabama teachers. A vast majority of the teachers of the State are those who hold second and third grade certificates.—Advertiser.

NOTICE.

I have taken up one dark mare mule about 12 or 14 years old. Broken well except to plow. The owner can get her by paying for this notice.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

East Saginaw.

We are having some dry and hot weather now.

John W. Payne was in Birmingham Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

John Payne, Esq., spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Mt. Era.

We are very sorry to hear that Mrs. Robert Nolen, of this place, is worse, and has sent for her husband to come at once. She is at Fourmile with her mother.

Sunday school was well attended Sunday and also prayermeeting in the afternoon.

Some of our boys and girls went to the Co's R. R. Sunday, among them was Tom Farrell, Lushie Smith, Will Payne and Andy Farrell. We wish the children a nice time.

Quite a number of our people attended the meeting at Mr. Foster's Sunday afternoon and reported a nice lesson was heard.

Next Sunday we will not have any Sunday school or Prayermeeting on account of the singing at Florence church. All are invited to come and bring their baskets.

The coal mines of the Saginaw Lime and Lumber Company was found to be sorry, it contained too much sulphur.

We had the pleasure of getting some very nice watermelons Saturday. Bush!

Tom Payne was the escort of Miss Bytha Watton Sunday.

"A BROTHER"

Cedar Grove.

Some of our young people have grown cold hearted in regard to the Sunday school. You say to those that are watching your life, that you are spiritually cold and have no desire for the upbuilding of the community spiritually and socially. After being blessed with the grand opportunity of attending Sunday school, and then refuse can you expect a rating in the best society?

Will Smith and wife, of Birmingham, visited homefolks Sunday. Miss Ada and Holly Wyatt were the guests of Miss Dovie Walker Sunday.

Some of our Democrats puff and blow worse than a scared black cat some times, but do not accomplish anything. If they can hold their peace until our joint debate, (that is if we can get the Democrats out) they will hear something to puff and blow for.

Bob and Lester Smith of Helena, were the happy escorts of Misses Ida and Maud Sunday. Joe it is hard, but I guess it is fair.

Miss N. was looking a little lonely Sunday, as K. B. did not show up.

As news is a little scarce and father says I must go to chopping cotton, I will close.

PETE.

Bamford.

Honor Roll of Bamford school for month ending May 27th 1904: First Grade.—Thomas Tyler, John Ward, Clinton Atchison and Eugene Blankenship.

Second Grade.—Ollie Blankenship. Fifth Grade.—Jackson Honeycutt, Melvin Johnston, Mattie Johnston, George Ray, David Judd, Lela Waddell and Carrie Blankenship.

The requirements to be on this roll is punctual attendance and an average of 90% in each study.

J. S. BURGIN, Teacher.

Redlaw.

The rain of last week has revived the crops.

The oat crop of our community is very sorry, but will furnish some feed stuff and that will help out some.

J. F. Baker and Bennett Smith went to the Kingdom last Sunday. B. Miner spent Sunday afternoon at Capt. Hughes.

As plums are beginning to ripen Fred thinks they will last until blackberries ripen, and then he will be alright.

J. N. Stinson was in our community one day last week.

D. G. Baker went to Wilsonville one day last week.

D. S. Wingard says he has some fine young watermelons.

Yes Brother, the mentioning of the discussion at Harpersville and Wilsonville does bring back to memory a lot of things. Fred hasn't forgotten how the Populist got managers at Wilsonville, and Fred remembers as far back as 1892.

FRED.

THROWN FROM A WAGON.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by Williams Bros.

A great run of luck always begetting for the man who doesn't get married.

Summer Hill.

It seems as if we just write once every two weeks, but our last week communication failed to be sent off, so we will try this week again.

The singing at this place the fifth Sunday was a grand success. Everybody enjoyed the singing.

On the 28th of last month Mr. Dave Ray had the misfortune to fall in the fire and burn his feet very badly. He is suffering very much with his feet. We hope him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Wells and family visited at Shelby Springs Sunday.

Quite a number of our people went to the singing at Dargin Sunday and report a nice time.

W. E. Price and family visited at Columbiana Sunday.

Rev. J. E. Dykes and wife returned last week from a visit to relatives in Chilton county.

Mrs. Mamie Phillips returned Friday from a visit to relatives in Greensboro.

Among those who went to Dargin Sunday were, J. A. Cameron, Will Malone, Ronda Price, Elijah Blackmon, Lewis Johns, Oscar Harris and wife, Murphy Baker and Miss Bessie Johnson.

Sunday school was not well attended Sunday.

TOM AND JOE.

Pelham.

The singing at Dargin Sunday was a grand success. There was a large crowd and a lots of dinner.

Federal of the Cambranch boys and girls attended the singing at Dargin Sunday.

Rich Harless and E. Nash attended the singing at Dargin Sunday.

O. McClindon was the happy escort of Miss Mae Jones Sunday.

Jessie Jones was the happy escort of Ella Foust Sunday.

X. Y. Z.

Notice to the Old Confederate Soldiers.

The Pension Board of Shelby county will meet at the Courthouse in the town of Columbiana on the 4th day, (Monday), of July 1904; to examine applicants for pensions. We earnestly insist that those who intend to make application to be sure to have their papers properly made out and signed as shown by blanks. Present your applications in person if possible when the board opens, so we can examine them and put them in shape. The Board closes on July 14th.

You can get blanks at Probate Judge's office.

Dr. A. T. ROWE, M. D.
S. H. GIST,
Commissioners.

WORST OF ALL EXPERIENCES.

Can anything be worse, than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newton, Decatur, Ala. "For three years" she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, Stomach and bowel troubles. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. "For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Williams Bros. & J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

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W. L. FARLEY,
Cashier.

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Loans and Discounts, \$ 16,782.77	Capital Stock, \$15,000.00
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Other Real Estate, 3,000.00	Due Banks, 2,263.00
Cash & with other banks, 43,119.84	
Total, \$69,902.61	Total, \$69,902.61

I, W. L. FARLEY, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. FARLEY, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this Jan. 1st, 1904.

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SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

S. L. Appleman was in Birmingham Tuesday.

W. T. Rasco, of beat 8, was in town last Friday.

Wales Wallace spent Sunday at Klein with relatives.

J. L. Gardner, of Coalville, was in the city Saturday.

Sheriff R. F. Cox has been on the sick list this week.

J. T. Lee, of Nelson, was in town a short while Saturday.

All of our merchants reported a good business Saturday.

Dr. A. W. Horton, of Weldon, was in the city Monday.

E. D. Hall spent Tuesday in Birmingham on business.

C. E. Hale, of Saginaw, was in town Monday on business.

Miss Lyda Nelson is visiting relatives at Talladega Springs.

Wm. Weldon, of Vandiver, was in town Saturday on business.

Chapman Pitts visited relatives at Vincent a few days last week.

W. H. Farr, a prosperous farmer of beat 9, was in town Saturday.

H. W. Parker and G. E. Abbott, of Shelby, were in town Monday.

Phillip Erlick and wife are in St. Louis, Mo., attending the Fair.

Miss Rosar Christian is visiting friends in Bessemer for a few days.

F. M. Wilkins, of Wilsonville, spent Sunday afternoon in the city.

J. S. Pitts spent Saturday and Sunday in Rome, Ga., with relatives.

J. W. Gill, of Vincent, attended the Committee meeting here Saturday.

Alonza Nelson returned from a visit to Talladega and Sylacauga Friday.

Miss Ethel Harps, of near Shelby, spent Saturday in the city with friends.

Hick Bice, of Shelby, spent Sunday afternoon in the city with friends.

T. B. Holcombe, of Weldon, was among the many visitors in town Monday.

E. S. Lyman, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday on professional business.

W. H. Pledger, of Pelham, was among the many visitors in town Saturday.

Mrs. Harry Roberts visited relatives at Cottonout, Ala., a few days this week.

Mrs. Standfield is visiting relatives and friends in Bessemer for a few days.

We learn that several new residences will be built in Columbiana this summer.

Quite a number of our citizens will attend the Fair in St. Louis this summer.

Commissioner Shaw, of Aldrich, is in the city attending Commissioners court.

D. S. Shaw, of beat 2, was in town Saturday and subscribed for the Advocate.

Solicitor W. R. Oliver, of Calera, was in the city Monday on professional business.

The first water melons of the season was shipped here last Friday to J. R. White.

G. W. Busby, of near Talladega Springs, attended the Committee meeting here Saturday.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant, of Bamford, was among the visitors in town Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. E. G. Givhan, of Montevallo, spent a part of Monday and Tuesday in the city with friends.

R. J. Griffin, Commissioner, of Helena, has been in the city this week at Commissioners court.

John H. Robertson, who has been in Mobile for several weeks, returned home last Thursday night.

E. T. Brasher, of Shelby, was in town Saturday attending the Populist Executive Committee meeting.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 A. M. and at night.

J. O. Dorrough, of Dunnivant, candidate for Supt. of Education attended the Committee meeting here Saturday.

Commissioner R. B. Posey, of Harpersville, is in the city.

Mrs. C. A. Carter, of Shelby, is visiting relatives in the city.

Master John Kidd, of Vincent, is visiting relatives in the city this week.

There was preaching at Mt. Olive Baptist church Saturday and Sunday.

T. H. Watersworth spent a part of Saturday and Sunday in Birmingham.

J. E. Strickland, of Wilton, spent a part of Tuesday in the city with relatives.

Several of our young people picniced down at Shelby Springs Tuesday.

John Grimes and family moved up to Vincent Tuesday, their future home.

Mrs. George Mansfield returned Sunday from a visit to relatives at Goodwater.

Walter Richardson is working over at Saginaw for a few days for J. E. Morris.

Dr. L. P. Hamner, of Five Points, is in the city visiting his son, Dr. W. P. Hamner.

D. F. Salser, of Sterrett, was in town Saturday attending the Committee meeting.

J. W. Bandy, of Montevallo, spent a few days in the city last week on business.

Prof. John W. Moore, of Weldon, was among the many visitors in town Saturday.

Quite a number of our young people went down to the Springs Sunday afternoon.

H. S. Latham, of Montevallo, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with his children.

Commissioners court has been in regular session this week, examining the tax books, etc.

F. M. Hallmark, of the Southern Railway, visited his family here Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott, of Tuscaloosa, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with his family.

Miss Viola Malone, who has been at Gulf Port, Miss., for several months returned home Saturday.

J. B. Griffin, a prosperous farmer of near Helena, was in town Saturday attending the Committee meeting.

The little 12-months old baby of Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Hamner has been quite sick for several days with fever.

Dr. A. E. McGraw, of Vincent, spent a part of Saturday and Sunday in the city with his daughter, Mrs. J. S. Pitts.

Commissioner L. R. Kendrick, of beat 8, has been in town this week attending the regular session of the Commissioners court.

R. W. Moss, of Calera, was in the city a short while Saturday.

Mr. Moss informs us that he has 75 acres planted in cotton this year.

Misses Zemina and Clara Pitts, who have been attending Shorter College at Rome, Ga., returned home Monday to spend the summer vacation.

We understand that the three Sunday schools of the city will have a picnic some time during this month, but we have not learned the date and place for same yet.

The Columbiana second nine and the Shelby second nine ball teams crossed bats on the Shelby diamond Friday afternoon. The game ending in a score of 22 to 8 in favor of Shelby.

Dr. L. H. Senteff and wife, of Mobile, are in the city. We learn that the Doctor is thinking of locating here to practice his profession. We hope he will see proper to locate here in this place.

There are now about thirty guests at Shelby Springs and they are coming every day. Mr. McMahon, the proprietor, has about completed the new 20 room hotel, and is now prepared to accommodate all who wish to spend the Summer at the Springs.

H. M. Millstead went over to Ida station, near Talladega Springs Saturday, and purchased a gin outfit. He will add this to the machinery he has already on hand, and will put up another gin and grist mill this summer. We are unable to state just now where he will locate his gin, but it will be some where near the L. & N. railroad at this place.

Success to the Advocate.

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One fine milch cow, three quarter jersey with young calf. Apply to George Porter, 1 1/2 miles south of Shelby, Ala. Terms, cash.

Mrs. J. S. Pitts and children are visiting relatives in Sylacauga.

Mrs. C. J. Christian and children are visiting relatives in Anniston.

Miss Alma Pinley, of Calera, is visiting relatives in the city.

J. H. Mason made a business trip down to Montevallo Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert Edwards, of Childeburg, visited relatives here this week.

Camp W. H. Forney, U. C. V., meets every fourth Saturday of each month, Wilsonville, Ala.

Rev. John Milner left Tuesday for Battle Creek, Mich., where he will remain for some time for his health.

Mrs. Sam Goldberg and little daughter, of Talladega, visited the family of Max Lefkowitz Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Registrars for Shelby county will start out some time in July, and all of those who have not registered will have a chance to register then.

Vernon Hebb, of beat 9, sent us Tuesday a head of wheat that measured 6 inches. Mr. Hebb is a successful farmer of the above named beat.

Mrs. D. R. McMillan is visiting friends at Palmyra, Ill., and will go from there to the World's Fair in St. Louis, where she will be joined by a party of ladies from this place next week.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. John T. Upshaw and Miss Alice Eugenia Sanders, of Bessemer. Mr. Upshaw is an old Shelby county boy and his many friends here are pleased to learn of his good fortune. The Advocate extends congratulations in advance.

Let everybody and their wives and babies and their sweethearts attend the picnic at Browning's mill next Saturday. A nice time is in store for all who attend. You will hear a joint discussion between the candidates for Probate Judge, and besides their will be lots of dinner on the ground. Don't fail to be there.

Wilsonville, Ala., June 4, 1904.

Editor Advocate:—Please state in your paper that all of old Uncle T. J. Stamp's connection are invited to be at Fourmile church on the 4th day of July for the purpose of having their pictures taken. All are invited to come and bring dinner.

M. W. Stone.

Notice to Taxpayers.

Notice is hereby given that the books of assessments for the current year has been prepared by the Tax Assessor and is ready for inspection by the tax payers, and that the Court of county Commissioners will sit on the second Monday in July to examine the Assessor's returns and to correct any errors therein.

This May 1st, 1904.

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Coalville.

Weather hot and dry.

Crops are looking well for this time of the year.

There was no preaching at Liberty last Sunday.

Will Luquire and family, of Calvary, spent Saturday night, Sunday with relatives at this place.

W. P. Gilbert went to Columbiana last Saturday.

Miss Eldora Gilbert, of Vincent, is visiting relatives and friends here.

We learn that some of the young people of this place enjoyed a fish fry at the home of S. J. Nivens on last Saturday evening.

M. W. Chesser and family, of Weldon, spent Sunday with the family of Mrs. Robinson.

Prof. W. H. Gilbert leaves next Monday for The University of Alabama, where he goes to attend the Summer school for Teachers.

Barnie Parsons and friend, of near Birmingham, came over on last Saturday, and on Sunday morning went to Liberty. And while Sunday school was in progress Mr. Parsons and his lover, Miss Addie Weldon one of our charming young ladies walked down to the spring, then surrounded the church came into the road, where they were met by their friend with a horse and buggy. And when last seen was going at break-neck speed in the direction of Birmingham, at which place we suppose they were married. We wish for them much success and happiness in their future life.

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Dargin.

Weather hot and dusty still.

We had an all day singing at Dargin Sunday and had some good singing, the books used were the Sacred Harp and Christian Harmony. It was enjoyed by all and especially the old people, it made them think of days past and gone. There was a large crowd out.

Tom, Edgar and Miss Minnie McGiboney, of Nelson, was over Sunday.

Mrs. Bailey, of Campbranch, is visiting relatives in town this week.

Will and George Bearden, of Beeswax, visited friends in our community Saturday and Sunday.

Bob Shaw, of Saginaw, attended the singing at Dargin Sunday.

Jim O'Barr, of Tacoma, has a position with C. L. O'Neal as Quarry foreman.

Newton Baker, of East Saginaw, visited his Bro. J. M. Baker Sunday.

R. M. Payne and wife, of Campbranch, attended the singing Sunday.

T. M. Duncan went to Calera Friday.

Rev. John Crowson filled his regular appointment at Dargin Sunday.

Wiley Roach, of Campbranch, was down Sunday.

Eugene Bentley, of near Pelham, was down Sunday.

If Josh Crim wants to know anything of a communication from Dargin going astray, he will find out by asking Mark Wyatt.

Billie Payne and wife, of Campbranch, attended the singing Sunday evening.

We need a larger church at Dargin although there is no organized church here, we surely must put his shoulder to the wheel and do his best from now until the polls close in November and let elect every man from Probate Judge to Governor. Let us bury the Democratic party so deep until the Sentinel can never scratch it out.

I guess by that time though the Sentinel will have more scratching of its own than it can do, it is covering itself up mightily fast.

Carrie will soon be a back number.

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New Prospect.

Health of this community very good.

Farmers are busy chopping cotton.

Our Sunday school was a grand success Sunday.

The singing at the Seale school house did real well.

There was quite a crowd of young people of the Kingdom attended the singing Sunday, but one certain one wasn't there, I can't explain why.

Karl Jackson attended the singing Sunday afternoon.

Peter Seale and Miss Ethel Harps visited homeboks here Saturday and Sunday.

Our school is progressing nicely.

Charlie Seale and Tom Cromwell was the escorts of Miss Ethel Harps and Miss Minnie Sunday night.

Miss Ethel Armstrong was the guest of Miss Bertha Keith Sunday.

A. F. S.

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Rocky Bluff.

Weather dry and hot.

The Sunday school at this place was quite a success Sunday.

Louis Minor attended divine worship at Mt. Chapel Sunday.

James Luquire left Sunday to see his girl near Birmingham.

Elbert Armstrong left here Saturday for his future home in Washington, D. C.

Prof. Thomas Farr was the happy escort of Miss Hester Baldwin Sunday.

We are sorry to say that Claud Minor has to stay at home on account of the measles.

John Minor and family visited homeboks Sunday.

H. C. Farrell went to see his girl on Campbranch Sunday.

WHISTLER.

FOR SALE.—One 2 horse farm 1 mile south of Shelby Springs, Ala., containing 100 acres more or less; 50 acres in cultivation; good orchard, good 4 room house, good barn and outbuildings, healthy place, level land, lies along side Southern Railroad and public road, well stocked. Will sell with stock or without; will sell for cash or on easy terms. For further information apply at this office or write W. J. Nelson, Shelby Springs, Ala.

Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filled in my office a list of delinquent taxpayers and of real estate upon which taxes are due and thereon reported as assessed to you the following real estate and to "Owner Unknown," to-wit:

BEAT 1.

A. Culverson—Lots 8 and 10, block 33, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$127; printers fee 45.

Robert Davis, col.—NW qr of nw qr and w half of sw qr of nw qr, sec 34, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 35.

Wm Lewis—SE qr of sw qr, sec 6, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$1.68; printers fee 63.

Alex McKay—Lot 4, block 97, lot 10, block 98, lot 22, block 116, lot 26, block 115, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$2.55; printers fee 82.

Martha B. Murphy, col.—N half of lot 310 feet wide and 250 feet long at or near the corner of Shelby Springs, adjoining half lot of H. S. Mallory. Tax and cost \$1.63; printers fee 1.27.

G. G. Varner and Mrs. Knight, col.—Lot No 15, block 116, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$1.34; printers fee 63.

W. J. D. Williams—NW qr of nw qr, sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$1.54; printers fee 63.

D. S. and W. T. Brooks—NE qr of sw qr, sec 13, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$1.47; printers fee 98.

Dr. E. A. Mathews—SE qr of sw qr, sec 14, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$15.00; printers fee 63.

Mrs. C. J. Welch—Half acre lot and cottage thereon, between public road and railroad track in nw qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.90; printers fee 102.

Mrs. Lucy Little—Lot 9 and lot B and lots C, S, in se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 24, tp 12 e. Tax and cost \$6.55; printers fee 1.16.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$3.87; printers fee 63.

Peter Edwards, col.—N half of ne qr, sec 30, tp 1, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$8.83; printers fee 35.

Frank Wilby—One vacant lot in Columbiana, Ala., 22 feet square bounded on the north by property of L. M. Dyke and east and west by the Dyke property. Tax and cost \$2.48; printers fee 1.02.

J. W. McCarty—S half of se qr and s half of sw qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 24, tp 18, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.20; printers fee 102.

H. McGill—Southwest quarter of southwest quarter less 5 acres S. R. ne qr of sw qr less 1 acre S. R. sec 26, tp 20, r 4 w; e half of se qr of sw qr, sec 33, tp 20, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$3.75; printers fee 128.

W. D. McGinnis—Lot 1 block 2, lot 1 block 3, known as the Christie lot, Helena, Ala. Tax and cost \$7.69; printers fee 74.

Geo. D. Reed—E half of ne qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$3.43; printers fee 63.

Jno. L. Goodson—Half interest in w half of ne qr and se qr of nw qr and se qr of ne qr, sec 3, tp 20, r 2 w; all nw qr of sw qr, sec 28, tp 20, r 2 w; se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 29, tp 20, r 2 w; ne qr of se qr and w half of se qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$10.74; printers fee 2.95.

Mrs. Lula G. Green—SW qr of ne qr and nw qr of se qr, sec 7, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$4.12; printers fee 88.

Florence Glen, col.—NE qr of nw qr, sec 2, tp 23, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 63.

Fannie Harrison, col.—SW qr of nw qr, sec 31, tp 21, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$2.43; printers fee 63.

Terrell Coal Co.—N half of ne qr and n half of nw qr, sec 10, tp 19, r 2 w; ne qr of sw qr, sec 5, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of se qr and e half of sw qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 4 w; sw qr of sw qr and sw qr of se qr and ne qr of se qr and w half of nw qr, sec 9, tp 20, r 3 w; n half of se qr and se qr of sw qr, sec 17, tp 20, r 3 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w; se qr of sw qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$19.68; printers fee \$4.41.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of ne qr, sec 15, tp 21, r 4 w; w half of se qr, S. R., sec 24, tp 21, r 4 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 2, tp 23, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$5.91; printers fee 152.

Owner Unknown—NW qr of sw qr, sec 30, tp 21, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$3.53; printers fee 60.

BEAT 2.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of ne qr, sec 14, tp 24, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$4.93; printers fee 60.

BEAT 3.

Arter Fancher, col.—W half of ne qr less 2 acres, and all in sec 23, tp 22, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$4.19; printers fee 85.

Mrs. Ella Hill—NE qr of nw qr and nw qr of ne qr, sec 17, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$3.81; printers fee 85.

Mary L. Mosely—Block 131, Calera, Ala. Tax and cost \$1.88; printers fee 35.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of sw qr and nw qr of se qr, sec 10, tp 22, r 2 w; Tax and cost \$9.47; printers fee 81.

Owner Unknown—NW qr of ne qr, sec 19, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$4.12; printers fee 60.

Owner Unknown—SW qr of ne qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$2.93; printers fee 60.

H. W. Phillips—NE qr of se qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$7.39; printers fee 63.

Thed Smith—E half of sw qr, sec 3, tp 22, r 2 w; e half of nw qr of nw qr and sw qr of ne qr, sec 10, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$5.50; printers fee 1.37.

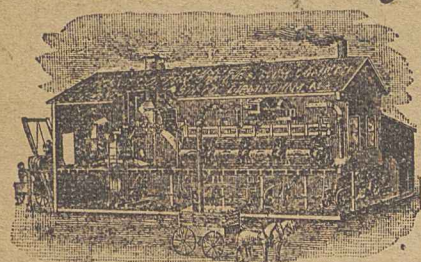
Caroline McDonald, col.—SW qr of nw qr, sec 8, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$2.35; printers fee 60.

Mrs. Laura Wright—Five-seventh interest in e half of ne qr and nw qr of ne qr and e half of nw qr, sec 24, tp 21, r 5 w. Tax and cost \$3.70; printers fee 1.28.

Mrs. J. P. Word—Lot No. 12, Word Street, Calera, Ala. Tax and cost \$1.67; printers fee 50.

George J. Wright—Five unimproved lots, Montgomery ave., Calera, Ala. Tax and cost \$15.00

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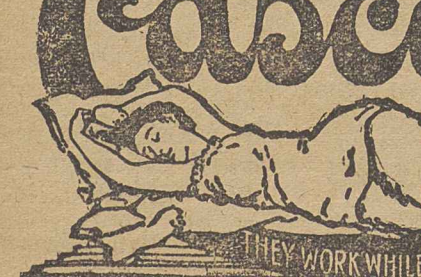
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THE CROPS.

Spring Wheat and Cotton Are Reported Doing Nicely.

The weekly summary of crop conditions issued by the weather bureau says:

The temperature of the week ending May 30th was favorable in all districts and especially to the eastward of the Mississippi river and of the gulf states.

A general improvement is indicated in the southern states, where the corn crop is largely laid by, having reached the earing stage in the west gulf states.

A general improvement in the condition of winter wheat is indicated in the principal wheat states. Harvest is in progress in the southern states. Early sown spring wheat is growing nicely and the general outlook for this crop in the spring wheat region is promising.

Nearly all reports respecting oats indicate that this crop has made very favorable progress.

Although cotton continues small, a general improvement in its condition is reported. The least favorable reports are received from Georgia, Florida and portions of South Carolina, where drought continues. Lice are not so generally reported in the central and eastern districts as in the previous week except in Georgia, but boll weevils continue to increase in the southwest and central cotton counties of Texas.

In Japan on every gateway is posted a red slab where a man has gone to the war, marked "Gone to the front"—to be supplanted with a black one—"Bravery forever"—should he be brought home dead. And when he is brought home dead his body is received at the station by his kin with proud faces and no tears.

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A machine for condensing sea fog into drinking water has been invented.

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"THE WORLD OVER."

By Charlotte R. Van Woglum.

Mr. Marten put down knife and fork and glanced across the table at his wife.

"It's been mud for a hull week," said he.

"Ben oughter hev' cleaned the wheels," she replied.

"No time for anything, it 'pears like. He's taken the other rig today; that'll be covered like the first is."

"An' yaller mud is so betrayin'."

Marten's head nodded affirmatively.

"There's no sech mud this side of Oldtown, and everybody knows who lives there," said he, wisely.

Mrs. Marten's head followed his example.

"Ben has drove there lots the past weeks." Of a sudden she leaned forward, eyeing her husband with keen, contemplative gaze. "They say she's mighty pretty; that folks all like her, once they know her. But she ain't much where work is, they say, an' Sue even says—but tain't fair to tell her Sue says. You know Ben don't like her."

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smiled back the old farmer. "Now that other gal expects all the waitin' on—sorter a new game for Ben."

"The waitin' on, yes. He's been spoiled considerable. All the girls like Ben—they can't help it, can they?—only now he seems so awful willin' to go to Oldtown," faltered the mother.

"She's at the bottom of a good deal in the town, lately. Most every youngster prims up to go past the place. Her father died—left her a Confederate sword an' his blessin', an' of course Dick had to take her in. Them two are the last of their family, so Dick told me once—both prouder'n Lucifer, if they haven't money. Do you s'pose she fetched them fine manners and relic gee-gaws for our cows an' chickens to look at?" scornfully, "An' Ben has education; it's ruffles an' quick for pretty things. It's ruffles an' quick an' smiles as warm a man's heart as stormy day toggery with leather faces above them. It's kinder natural like that Ben should take the cleanest carriage when he goes to Oldtown! I'm not complainin' of it."

Silence followed; supper was ended at the Marten farmhouse. The same sun that flickered in the windows at Springfield, played hide and seek in Dick Dunston's cherry tree. Under its boughs stood Phyllis, her dark eyes aglow, cheeks flushed, hair blown by breezes from the flaming west.

"Isn't that enough?" called a voice from the very centre of the tree. Ben Marten glanced through the leaves, to the figure below. Intervening space nettled him.

Phyllis bit cherry after cherry, waiting for more to follow that first consentment thrown into the hat she held.

"You're having all the fun," said the deep voice from the foliage above her. An injured tone crept into it. The sun was getting low; time was so woefully short for him.

"You speak not truly," answered Miss Dunston, calmly, munching away at an especially luscious cherry. "Beside, you're learning to be chivalrous, kind sir!"

"Chiv—be—"

"Se—sh!" she cautioned in quick interruption. "Of course you wish to say something horrid. You aren't accustomed to waiting on ladies, are you? They generally wait on you, do they not? Indeed, I know all about it. No wonder you look ashamed. You are so weighted with self-importance and conceit that it's strange the tree holds you."

"It won't hold me any longer, Phil Dunston," he exclaimed.

A crackling and snapping of boughs told his intention. But he reckoned without her wit. In a twinkling the ladder was jerked away. It fell with a crash, while Phyllis sprang lightly to one side, still holding the hat. Ben was left suspended from the lowest limb, yet one so high from mother earth as to make the drop neither wise nor easy.

"You see it does hold you, after all," said Miss Dunston. "It is really stronger than I thought. Just stay where you are, please. The dominie is walking past—Mabel, too—and I declare if there isn't Sue. Then a ripple of laughter broke on the girl's lips. The sound told him of further tantalization and mischief. They can see that your legs aren't quite straight—you thought them just perfection, didn't you?—and that your back is getting all humped up from work—you believed it the finest back for miles around, didn't you?—and that you're not one bit handsome when you are learning chivalrous manners."

"The ladder, Phil."

Ben's voice was stern that time.

"You should go south for true chivalry. They get it from the titled English ancestors of long, long ago. That is what makes the such faint for such manners. If I were there and wanted a cherry, the gentlemen would rush to climb the tree. They would never dream of asking if a few in a hat were enough; they would pick and pick until not one cherry remained on the tree—that is southern politeness."

"Wait until I get down." Ben eyed the space between them once again.

Phyllis laughed.

"You can't; it's dangerous. Are you anxious for the ladder? Do you expect me to wait on you?" teasingly. "I'm not like the rest of the girls here if you think that."

"I have never thought it."

Even as he spoke he dropped to terra firma. Wrath was in his heart, determination also. Phyllis turned to see, but he was quicker than she.

Lightning swiftness an arm went out, caught her neatly, effectually—and held her fast. The blue eyes met the dark ones; there was challenge in the glance.

"It's no use to tease me, Phil," he said, doggedly. "No, you're not hurt the least bit and never mind the hair—it looks pretty that way."

"It's perfectly hateful of you!" Phyllis struggled to free herself, but in vain.

Ben laughed oddly.

"I cannot agree," he declared. "And as for chivalry, I prefer the sort that flourished when real knights lived and fought."

"What do you mean, Ben Marten?"

"They yielded no rights, those chivalrous knights of old. I've waited for mine longer than I've cared to. Now I demand payment. Give it to me. Do you hear?" His arm drew her closer to him; she realized he would not be played with longer.

"Only the one sort?" she queried, more to gain time than for any other reason.

He was becoming quite unmanageable; his sternness subdued all previous fun.

"Only the one," he rejoined. "You know what that is; I told you last week and I'll tell it again if you—"

"But marriage is such a serious matter, Ben." Her voice was sober by that time; the dark eyes became troubled. She had not thought he would take things so to heart.

"It is!" decisively.

"I expect so much; my ideals are so high."

"Can't they be dropped a bit and you make me fit them?"

She giggled loose from his clasp and stood glancing up into the earnest face bent above hers. A curious little throb made her heart felt for the first time.

"I might try," replied she after that moment's hesitation.

"Will you—will you, Phil?" he asked with eager entreaty. "If you only would try, just a little. There's no other fellow is there?—nobody down in that wonderful country of yours where everybody is so polite?" the last a bit jealously.

She laughed, but seeing the eagerness die out and dejection take its place, she was merciful.

"Perhaps it would be wisest to let the matter rest awhile."

"You said that last week."

"How impatient you are. At least I shall not marry until you have your answer. I'm soon going to the city and after my return—"

"You couldn't give it—before you go?" wisely.

He dared not press too hard. To lose the ground already his would indeed be grief. So he added by her decision, fearful of being turned down completely.

"No, I really cannot give it sooner. It is far too grave a matter to be hurriedly settled. I'd no idea you cared for me—this way. My answer can only be decided upon after the very calmest deliberation. It shall be extremely deliberate."

"When may I hear the outcome of this—calm deliberation?" he asked in rather sarcastic voice. Inwardly his heart was sore; he could not bear to let her go from him in so unsatisfactory a manner.

"Friday night," she replied. "That is surely a little while to wait. I could visit longer, of course, but auntie will need me by that time and besides—"

Phyllis did not complete the sentence, instead, edging further away from him. Her face clouded as she noted his evident disappointment. It was quite too bad she must spoil their merry friendship as he had done so abruptly that last week.

There were good-bys when at length he left, but of the most formal kind. She would yield no point to pleading, and he refrained from making it too stern, lest she refuse outright. That was Saturday. On Monday she left Oldtown.

It was with intense pleasure she reached the city and started in for three days of gaiety. Novelties charmed beyond expectation; her cousin rejoiced to have her; not one moment was dull. The big department stores were visited, likewise several friends of school days—those who had married and moved away from former localities. She decided, too, it would be an excellent opportunity to study marriage views from points other than her own. The subject, however, was thrust upon her without any self-encouragement, in fact very abruptly. She met Dora Brent on the street, so changed she scarcely recognized her. Both halted. Dora with lighted face and hand extended, grasped her on the arm.

"Phil Dunston?" she exclaimed excitedly. "Now this is a surprise. You look pretty as ever. Have you been here long?—why yes, didn't you know—Lester's health is poor and so I look after the store every afternoon while he takes a little rest—a whole year the doctors say—not a moment to myself—work and worry stick close to me since my marriage but then—yes, Lester must be cheered, not discouraged. How lucky you are to be free from worry and cares—come and see me to-morrow—all right."

Phyllis pondered as she walked on. She felt sorry for Dora. She had been one of the prettiest girls at Mrs. Iveson's school. It was all very sad indeed.

On Tuesday a dinner invitation claimed Phyllis. It was a beautiful home she went to, perfect in every appointment, with a hostess charming as in girlhood days and exquisitely gown-ed.

"Run right up-stairs, Phil," said Lena Everdel, warmly, giving the girl a vigorous hug and kiss. "Just make yourself at home—now how foolish—Ernest is seldom home—didn't you know? Dear me, I supposed everybody knew that. It is drink!" Mrs. Everdel laughed oddly, almost with sadness. "He goes his way and I mine, because—because—oh, do not pity me, Phil. I should never have married. My dear, go slow—go slow, when you think of such a thing—yes, it is not a beautiful piece of tapestry—brought from Europe—genuine, every thread. Now do hurry and fix yourself and come down to the drawing room."

Again did Phyllis ponder, that second time more deeply.

On Wednesday, en route to the theatre, she met Maria Tessley in the trolley car. Maria beamed upon her delightedly and took the seat beside her.

"For land's sakes, Phyllis Dunston! Wherever did you drop from?" asked Mrs. Tessley, meanwhile pushing forward scrambling children into various vacant seats and then settling down beside her friend. "It seems ages since I've seen you. What jolly times we did have—and yes, four. It's hard scratch-keep keeping up appearance, too—just dreadful—not a cent for anything but

butchers and bakers and grocers and cobblers and tailors—matinee?—haven't been to one in years—nowhere at all—tied down the whole time—do you think them pretty?—they're real smart in school—head of their classes—my poor corn, Julie? Gracious! Can't you come to see me—good-by—Rosie—Helen—come along Tommy—it's our corner, Jack—good-by—"

Phyllis settled into a reverie that lasted until the theatre was reached.

Next day was Thursday. She decided it would be wrong to omit seeing Alice, and so hunted up that friend. Alice herself admitted her.

"My dear, dear girl!" exclaimed Mrs. Linson in keenest delight. "Is this really yourself—and not married yet?" She made a place for Phyllis at one end of the couch. "It's so good of you to hunt me up. Excuse my appearance, won't you? It is hard to do one's own work and be dressed up much. Paul comes home about 7—late dinner, you ask? Yes, it is that every day, but he likes dinner best. I often wonder where the day goes. What do I keep myself at?—not so very much compared with his duties. He usually breakfasts at 6.30—then the dishes to wash, children to dress and feed—Nat goes to school now, too—then several rooms to brush up and put in order and of course the beds to make and rooms to tidy—some little pieces of washing—not much, you know—or else a scrap of ironing—handkerchiefs, towels, odds and ends left over, you know—oh! and the orders attended to for meals—there are so many rings at the door—baking? Yes, just a little—Paul likes homemade things better than bakers' articles—and lunch to fix—the children must be on time, you know—and then it is afternoon. I generally try to get at my sewing by 3 o'clock—then it is dinner hour before I can wink. But Paul enjoys it so. Evening? I seldom have one exclusively for reading—the children are put to bed and—yes, it is the same dress. How clever your memory is. I've had lots of gay times in this blue serge. A new one would make me feel rather strange, I fear. Somehow, all spare cash goes into small shoes and stockings. Style and clothes seldom bother me nowadays—I've so much else to think about—yes, it's a very good picture of Paul, is it not?"

Phyllis pondered and pondered and pondered as she went back to her cousin's home. An hour later she took the train back to Oldtown. Another hour and she had hunted up Jimmy Wells.

"Jimmy," said Miss Dunston, with the most beautiful nonchalance and a beaming smile, "I did not forget you. Here is the finest jack-knife made in the city. It is the best steel. Be careful not to cut yourself. Oh, and Jimmy, and you will not tell any one that I am at home, will you? That is a good boy. Friday was the day, but—well, I came today. It is one day earlier than Friday, isn't it?" and Jimmy agreed that it was. Joy was in his heart. He clasped his treasure tightly and scamped off. Then he did exactly the very thing Miss Dunston knew he would do—show the knife to his friend and neighbor, Ben Marten.

That night the doorknob rang in the Dunston homestead. Bridget ushered in the tall young caller and left him in the parlor. Ben's heart was troubled but determination his. He had come for his answer; she must see him, even though he broke the contract by 24 hours.

The sound of swishing skirts on the stairs—light footsteps—then Phyllis burst in, a veritable whirlwind—right into the arms that instinctively opened to receive her.

"Ben! Ben!" she breathed, joyously, brokenly. "I'm so glad Jimmy told you. I've been waiting to hear the bell ring; I was so afraid it might not ring. Do you see the dress you like—the pink one? I could not wait till Friday—it was so beautiful there, too, only—only—you've not changed your mind have you? You still want to marry me, don't you?"

"Sweetheart!" His hand strayed over the brown head that rested against his shoulder. It was bliss so unexpected as to overwhelm him for the moment.

"Because—because—oh, Ben, I love you!"—Waverley Magazine.

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

The velocity of the wind at the height of one mile above the earth is four times as great as at the surface.

A man worth \$5,000,000 today is no richer, as related to the aggregate wealth of the United States than a man worth \$370,000 in 1850.

In the fortified rock of Gibraltar there are 62 miles of tunnels. They are stocked with an ample supply of arms, ammunition and provisions, in readiness for a siege.

There was some trouble between the towns of New Hartford and Harwinton in Connecticut until the original survey of the towns laid out in 1729 by the proprietors, who were taxpayers of Hartford, was found, and this record will be used in making a new survey.

The largest room in the world, under the roof and unbroken pillars, is at St. Petersburg. It is 620 feet long and 150 feet in breadth. By daylight it is used for military displays, and a whole battalion can completely maneuver in it. By night 20,000 wax tapers give it a beautiful appearance. The roof is a single arch of iron.

Coreans wear full mourning for their fathers. The dress is of hemp cloth, with hempen girdle. A face shield is used to show that the wearer is a sinner and must not speak to any one unless addressed. The costume is retained for three years, the shield for three months. This is worn for a father only; secondary mourning is worn for a mother, and no mourning at all for a wife. The hat is of wicker.

The Polite Formula.

Little four-year-old Margie was a model of politeness.

"How is your baby brother this morning, Margie?" asked the doctor when she opened the door in answer to his ring.

"Oh, he's dead, thank you!" she replied.—St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

AT A BATTLESHIP TEST.

AN ANXIOUS DAY FOR BUILDERS OF THE FIGHTING MONSTERS.

Trial of the Big Guns—Nearly Every Article in the Equipment Is Duplicated to Cover a Hitch in the Manoeuvring.

It is an anxious yet proud moment for the builders and designers of a big battleship when the tests are about to be applied which are to expose her faults, if any, lay bear her secret failings, and bring to the surface the manifold queer whims and caprices to which vessels, like horses, are peculiarly prone. The skill and labor of many months are about to undergo the ordeal of the most searching investigation which science and human foresight can apply, and a big cheque is about to change hands, says London Tit-Bits.

In view of the fact that one of the most powerful battleships ever launched, the Shikishima, belonging to Japan, may play a very prominent part in the war into which that country and Russia are plunged, it may be interesting to review the trials which this splendid war leviathan underwent before being handed over by the Thames Shipbuilding company to her purchasers.

A complete staff of artificers, stokers, and a small crew of quaint-looking but smart and seamanlike Japanese sailors (who were eventually to work the ship back to the little island empire in the Far East), stood under orders, prepared for any emergency which might arise, and preparations were made for the first trial, slow speed. After a six hours' run at two thirds speed this test was pronounced satisfactory, and, as a matter of fact, it is the least formidable of the series in the eyes of interested parties. Then steering enthusiasts experimented with the steam gear which actuates the rudder, performed evolutions at startling angles, and pronounced it excellent.

Next day, after the boilers had been carefully cleaned and overhauled, the engines were put at their top notch for speed and endurance, and no doubt during the run—10 miles—the anxieties of the engine room authorities were neither few nor frivolous. But in justice to the British engineer it must be admitted that, while not exactly welcoming difficulties, he is seldom happier than when successfully meeting them.

Meanwhile the draught of water was being carefully noted, weights on board being verified, for all deficient armament, stores, etc., have been made up in water-ballast and coal. And talking of coal, the experts want to know to a pound how much of this precious fuel, which, by the way, is specially hand-picked and selected, is being consumed to maintain the steam pressure.

The anchor trials proved very interesting. These colossal masses of iron, several of them weighing nearly six tons apiece, were let go, to try their holding power on the sea bottom, to satisfy the band of critics on deck that everything in this department of the Shikishima's internal economy was "well found" and in perfect working order.

The auxiliary armament, as the smaller guns are termed, was next subjected to examination, and not only the weapons themselves, but their mountings had to pass muster, any defects or suggested alterations being, where possible, affected or remedied by the staff on the spot. Meanwhile the electrical fittings, with which every modern warship is appointed from light to telephones, had been overhauled and tested, and presently the torpedo trials were due.

The tubes from which these deadly missiles are discharged had been previously

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DRAWN INTO A TRAP

Were the Japanese Who Lese Heavily Thereby. Two Battalions Wiped Out

A NAVAL BATTLE IS REPORTED.

Infernal Machines Found in Czar's Palace—Kuroki Still Moves in Secret—Russia to Build Ships.

A flanking movement of the Japanese around the Russian left from Feng Wang Cheng June 9th was repulsed with a loss of two whole battalions.

A large Japanese force moved out along the Feng Wang Cheng and Hai Cheng road. The Russians had a force posted in a ravine thirty miles west of Hai Cheng. The Japanese were preceded by two battalions who walked into the Russian ambush. They received a murderous rifle and artillery fire at close range, and were wiped out, only one or two escaping.

The main Japanese force which was greatly superior to the Russian, tried to outflank the Russians, who drew off without losing a man. The Japanese closing in, found the ravine vacant, save for their own dead.

The Japanese fleet is bombarding Port Arthur daily at long range, fearing to come closer on account of danger from Russian mines. The Chinese when leaving the town had great difficulty in securing provisions and several junks which left recently without any food were supplied by Japanese cruisers which stopped them.

Both sides are doing their utmost to earn the good will of the Chinese. Two infernal machines were found on the night of June 7th concealed in tobacco boxes in the palace of the Russian emperor. One of the machines was in the dining room and the other in the audience chamber. The mechanism in each was working when discovered.

Naval experts believe that the Russians are working to clear the entrance to Port Arthur, with the intention of making the escape of their fleet effective. The Russian fleet at Port Arthur is estimated to consist of eighteen vessels, large and small, besides seventeen destroyers.

After a consultation it has been decided that the Russian ships will be divided between the Black sea and the Baltic, and no provision made for the Pacific fleet. Construction of new vessels will begin immediately. The ships probably will be laid down in Russia, though France may possibly get a contract. The proportion of battleships and cruisers will be the same as proposed by the general board at Washington for the United States navy.

The present is another period of preparation, and the most interesting news of Manchuria can not be telegraphed because of the fact that it would furnish clues to future movements.

The size of the bodies of Japanese occupying advanced positions and the disposition of the main forces are unknown to the correspondents and military attaches who are uninformed thereon except by bulletins issued here and at Peking. General Kuroki continues his policy of secrecy.

There are rumors of a great naval battle at Port Arthur, but no confirmation. The rumor says the Russians lost two battleships and the Japanese four.

The thirty-second annual commencement of the Alabama Polytechnic institute officially ended Wednesday morning and was in many respects ahead of any preceding in the history of the institution.

Officer Shot.

George Bryan, for years a member of the police force of Greenville, was shot, perhaps fatally, by John Johnson. Johnson is accused of setting fire to the Baptist church at Till, Butler county, and was wanted on a charge of incendiarism.

TRIED TO KILL FARMER.

News has just reached here from Kemper county, Mississippi, that an attempt was made to shoot Ross Leggett, a prominent farmer of the Mount Nebo community. A shot was fired either from a revolver or shot gun into the home where Mr. Leggett was sleeping, which shattered the window panes above the bed, but which fortunately did not harm the sleeper.

Later a warrant was issued for the arrest of Henry A. Shotts, another prominent farmer of the same neighborhood, charging him with the deed. All the parties are well known and have figured in the past as lawless characters which came up in the federal court at Meridian during the spring term.

Lumbermen Win.

The Mississippi-Louisiana Retail Lumbermen's Association and the Mississippi Wholesalers' association have achieved a victory in their fight before the Mississippi railroad commission to secure sweeping changes in the rules of car service associations that will facilitate freight shipments, and the institution of a system of layage charges by which railroads may be penalized for failure to deliver cars within a reasonable length of time.

CONFEDERATE REUNION

At Nashville Tuesday to Thursday—The Vets are Gathering.

Tennessee's capital is decorated as never before in honor of the veterans. Preparations on an enormous scale have been completed for the entertainment of these heroes of blood-soaked battlefields.

Confederate hotel, for free entertainment of the old soldiers, is prepared to feed 12,000 daily.

Aside from the parade on Thursday, the laying of the corner stone of the confederate memorial on Wednesday will be a distinctive feature. It will be accompanied by Masonic ceremonies, and Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, will address the veterans.

Stephen Lee, commander of the United Confederate association, is among the early arrivals, the demonstration at his reception being notable.

In an interview regarding the command General Lee said:

"I am in no sense a candidate for the place of commander of the veterans. The place is too sacred and too honorable for any man to seek it. I am merely the commander by accident of the death of our late beloved commander, the lamented Gordon."

ANNISTON GETS THE COLLEGE.

Model City Wins on the Fourth Ballot, Ending Three-Year Fight.

Anniston 13, Montgomery 16, Florence 13, Jasper 8.

That was the result of the fourth ballot that settled the location of the Alabama synodical college for men. Bessemer's bid was withdrawn after the third ballot. Anniston was made the unanimous choice.

An effort to secure this college has lasted through three years, and the final settlement of a location is a matter upon which the entire church in the state is now congratulating its representatives. At times the contest became heated, but the victory for Anniston was received in a splendid spirit by the entire membership of the synod, and the board of directors was instructed to take charge of the property at Anniston, getting proper titles to same.

Some subscriptions have already been made and students are already enrolled.

Brookside's Roast.

The report of the grand jury of the criminal court of Jefferson county is a vigorous document.

The most significant portion of the report is contained in the paragraphs referring to the appalling disregard for human life in the county, and urging the peace officers of the county to co-operate with the people at large and future grand juries in forcing "from the public service many of those who now disgrace it." On this point the report says:

"One of the most appalling examples of the possibilities of making the laws of the state a vehicle for persecution and oppression comes to us from Brookside. God help the defenseless and the ignorant when the officers of the law there get them in their clutches. All who spoke of the conditions there did so either with contempt or with fear and trembling. Indictments are pending against practically all of the guilty ones there, and we urge a vigorous prosecution."

Two from Atlanta.

The National Association of Dental Faculties, representing fifty-one colleges and universities, which has been in session in Washington, adjourned Saturday to meet subject to the call of the executive committee. Officers were elected as follows:

President, Dr. S. W. Foster, of Atlanta; Vice president, Dr. M. W. Foster, of Baltimore; Secretary, J. H. Kennerly, of St. Louis; Treasurer, H. H. Jewett, of Atlanta.

Peonage Alleged.

Sheriff Slim D. May, of Crenshaw county, has been arrested and arraigned, charged with holding in peonage Matt Youngblood, a half-witted negro woman. He made temporary bond. The warrant was sworn out by the woman herself.

Mining Combination.

Announcement will soon be made of a combination of mining interests of America with John D. Rockefeller at its head. The capital of the merged companies, it is said, will be \$2,500,000,000, and the purpose is to control the mineral output of the United States with the possible exception of the Calumet and Hecla copper mine in Michigan.

Mormon Bishop Accidentally Killed.

J. B. Ashcroft, of Fruitland, New Mexico, a bishop of the Mormon church and manager of the co-operative store at Fruitland, has been accidentally killed while blasting rock in the construction of an irrigation ditch for the Navajo Indians.

Iron Market.

From statistical returns it looks, says the Iron Age, as though the consumption of pig iron had declined materially since March, while expanding production had not been checked until last month.

The output for May was 1,533,500 tons of anthracite and coke pig iron as compared with 1,554,000 tons in April. But the rate of output, which had reached 366,000 tons a week on May 1st, had dropped back to 336,000 tons June 1st.

DEPORTED TO KANSAS

And Then Ordered from There by the Sheriff with an Armed Posse.

JURY BLAMES THE FEDERATION.

Co-Operative Mine to be Opened in New Mexico for the Deported Miners—Provision Made.

Seventy-six deported miners sent out from their state on a special train in charge of Colorado militiamen were put off in Kansas and left destitute on the prairie. With a parting volley fired into the air the militiamen returned west. Later the unfortunate miners were turned back to Colorado by an armed Kansas sheriff and deputies.

The miners had been placed on the train which was made up by the authorities in control at Cripple Creek and in charge of armed militiamen started for the east. The cars were closely guarded. The miners were not permitted to leave the cars, nor were any of the hundred or so men who gathered at the station allowed to communicate with them.

When a point in Kansas half a mile east of the Colorado state line was reached a halt was made. It was a deserted spot on the wild prairie with no railway station, eating house or farmer's house within several miles.

The men were disembarked, the engine was reversed and the militiamen reboarded the train. Colonel L. W. Kennedy, the officer in command of the guard, instructed the miners plainly that they were not wanted in Colorado and told them they had better go east.

A pitched battle between the military and union miners was fought at Dunville, the new mining camp, 13 miles out of Victor.

John Carey, a union miner, was killed.

The troops returned to Victor with fourteen captives.

It was reported before the special train left Victor for Dunville bearing the force under General Bell that the miners in the hills about Dunville numbered about 250 men, and that it was their intention to march into Victor in a body and attempt to liberate by force the inmates of the bull pen at Victor. The force actually consisted of but twenty-one men, is the statement of one of the number that was taken captive.

Union miners ridicule the theory of mine owners that any significance is attached to the marked photographs of non-union mines found at Victor union headquarters. A union leader said the purpose in printing pictures is to prevent strike-breakers assuming an alias and securing work in a union camp.

The coroner's jury says:

"We further find that said explosive was exploded by an infernal machine purposely and artfully set and discharged by some person to the jury unknown, for the purpose of wilfully, maliciously and feloniously killing and murdering said persons, and others; that said crime is one of similar crimes designed and committed and perpetrated for the purpose of intimidating non-union miners, and said crimes are the result of a conspiracy entered into by certain members of the Western Federation of Miners, and known, incited and further by certain officers of that organization."

The committee says it has damaging evidence against a number of persons connecting them with the Independence dynamite outrage.

General Charles L. Cooper, retired, of the United States army, has been assigned to Colorado as adviser of the organized militia for a period of four years. General Cooper comes at the request of Governor Peabody and will receive the full pay and allowance of his rank.

President Roosevelt received a telegram from W. D. Heywood, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, urging him to institute an investigation of the present conditions in the Cripple Creek district. Beyond the mere statement that the telegram had been received and that no answer had yet been sent to it no official information is obtainable. At least twice within the last six months the president has been requested to interfere in the Colorado troubles, but declined because he had no legal power to take action in the matter.

The women's auxiliary of the miners' union has been forbidden by the military authorities to hold meetings.

Mercy Recommended.

In the United States court a jury returned a verdict of guilty in the case against D. A. Pettie, charged with embezzlement, while he was assistant postmaster at Leesburg, Ga. Pettie's daughter was postmistress.

A deficit of \$1,000 was found. The shortage was made good. A grand jury brought in a true bill, however, charging embezzlement. The verdict of guilty carried with it a recommendation for mercy.

Located at Huntsville.

The Butler-Kyser Oil company, after looking over all available sites, has decided to locate its big cotton oil mill, fertilizer factory and gin in Huntsville. The company expects to have building operations under way within a few days. The plant will be ready for business when the next cotton crop comes in.

Leadville, Colo., had a 4-inch snow fall last Thursday.

ABNER M'KINLEY DEAD.

All Four McKinley Brothers Met Death Suddenly.

Saturday morning at his home in Somerset, Pa., Abner McKinley, brother of the late president, was found dead in a chair. His death came without warning to his family. His colored servant was up with him at 2 o'clock, and it is not known at what time Mr. McKinley got up again, as he did not awaken his servant.

Mrs. McKinley walked into his room and found him sitting in a chair, cold and dead.

The body will be taken to Canton for burial beside his mother in West-lawn cemetery.

Funeral services will be held at the home of Mrs. Ida McKinley, widow of the president, Monday afternoon.

Abner McKinley was the survivor of the four sons in the McKinley family, each of whom met a sudden or violent death. James McKinley died suddenly of apoplexy on a train near New Castle, Pa.; David was stricken in the same manner at San Francisco, and William, the president, was assassinated at Buffalo.

FLOODS BREAK LEVEES.

Arkansas Cotton Lands Inundated and the Crop Ruined.

The flood in the Arkansas river reached its most destructive stage when part of the Frenchtown levee, about three miles below the city, broke, and turned the river through a rich section of the country filled with growing crops of cotton and corn. Since the water began to rise the planters in that section have been working day and night to save this important levee, because it protects the rich bottom lands for miles below.

Ten thousand sacks of sand were sent on a special train and scores of men went down to assist in the work. The men worked all night, but the rising water swept away their labors. The breaking of this levee gives the water a clean sweep over the southern portion of the country.

A special from Pine Bluff, Ark., says: The levee at Hannaberry broke Saturday and more than 3,000 acres of cotton land is under water. Every available man, together with state convicts, is being pressed into service in an effort to repair the break.

Mississippi Railroad Question.

What promises to be an important piece of litigation, especially to those sections affected by the recent consolidation of railroads, will be the outcome of the resolution pending before the Mississippi railroad commission prohibiting the Mobile and Ohio and Southern railroads from making a joint rate on shipments carried over both lines. Although the consolidation of the Mobile and Ohio and Southern railway has been officially sanctioned by the railroad commission, it has never been sanctioned by the legislature or the courts. A bill seeking to validate the merger was passed at the recent legislative session after a fight, but it has not yet been signed by the governor.

The contract for building the Florence city hall has been let to a Florence firm, Temple & McCracken, and work will be pushed to completion. The stone foundation has already been laid and the building will be ready for occupancy by the city government by September 1.

A fine barn, the property of William Wright, was destroyed by fire near Paint Rock. The origin of the fire is unknown. There was no insurance. Five hundred bushels of corn, farming implements and hay was destroyed. Loss about \$2,000.

New Railroad a Go.

The Memphis and Gulf railroad will be built through Meridian and east Mississippi in a very short time. It is reported that Memphis investors have too much at stake to let this railroad project drop and those behind the proposition are determined to carry out the plans and have a direct line to the gulf as the completion of the Panama canal promises benefits to those cities which are prepared to reap the benefit through transportation facilities.

School Tax Carries.

The election for the levy of one mill school tax passed off quietly in Walker Saturday. Returns from the larger precincts indicate that the measure has carried by about five to one.

Columbus Gets Standard Stove Works.

D. R. Saunders, proprietor of the Standard stove works of Fort Payne, Ala., announces that the total amount necessary to be subscribed to remove that enterprise to Columbus, Miss., has been raised and that city will have the industry in operation not later than September 15th.

Alabamian First.

The medal that is offered each year to the graduate of the Lowell Textile school making the highest grade by the united cotton concerns of New England was won this year by William P. Meadows, a young man from Alabama. The only other Alabama student in the graduating class was E. R. Halsell, of Marion, Ala.

William R. Meadows is well known in Birmingham, having attended Howard college, graduating with the bachelor's degree. After leaving Howard he received the degree of bachelor of science at the University of Chicago. He is from Lowndes county, where his parents and relatives reside at present.

Located at Huntsville.

The Butler-Kyser Oil company, after looking over all available sites, has decided to locate its big cotton oil mill, fertilizer factory and gin in Huntsville. The company expects to have building operations under way within a few days. The plant will be ready for business when the next cotton crop comes in.

Leadville, Colo., had a 4-inch snow fall last Thursday.

BREVITIES BY WIRE.

W. R. Myrick, who lives in Etowah county, says that he has lived in four counties, but never changed his residence. The county was first large and called Benton. A portion was taken off and named Calhoun. After the war during a democratic administration the counties were subdivided and he was thrown into Bain, so named from a noted confederate officer. The Republicans wrested the state from the democrats and changed Bain to Etowah, which name it still bears.

At a conference of the commanding officers of the Alabama national guard it was decided to hold a brigade encampment this year, and the date of the encampment was fixed for the week between July 20th and July 30th. A committee composed of the commanding officers will have charge of selecting the place of encampment. It is thought bids will be advertised for from the cities.

The Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company Thursday shipped 500 tons of pig iron for export. This is not the first export shipment of iron made from the district in the past few weeks, and the statement is made that if there was shipping room and reasonable freight rates there would be an impetus to the foreign iron movement.

The country home of Mike McCartney, three miles from Gadsden, was destroyed by fire. No one was at home except two young ladies. Nothing was saved from the burning building except a few trunks. The loss will reach at least \$3,000, with only \$1,000 insurance. Mr. McCartney will rebuild at once.

George Hallett, an insurance man, was arrested on the charge of doing business without a license. While under observation he slipped out of the office of the chief and made his escape. After a hasty search he was captured, but again escaped while the door to the cage was being opened to place him in prison.

A declaration of incorporation has been filed by the Bartlett-Tewksbury Machinery Manufacturing company, capital stock \$25,000. The company has purchased a site at East Birmingham, and will begin at once the erection of a plant for the manufacture of engines and sawmill machinery.

Dr. Benton Hall had an unusual and dangerous experience while walking along the streets of Huntsville. His steel rod umbrella was struck by lightning and he was severely shocked, but otherwise uninjured. Dr. Hall attributes his escape to the wooden handle of the umbrella.

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Joseph Smith was tried and bound over in the sum of \$200 to appear at Anniston in the next term of court which meets next month. Smith was charged with breaking in and robbing the postoffice at Sligo a few weeks ago. He is about 19.

Minor Bros., contractors and brick manufacturers, have secured the contract for constructing three hundred coke ovens for the Woodward Iron Company near Woodward, and the work has commenced.

The Gurley Handle company, manufacturers of spokes and handles, has sold the Gurley plant to the Turner, Day and Woolworth company of Louisville. The plant will be continued in operation as before.

Charley Gaunt and Lonnie Hughes were both struck by lightning and instantly killed while in the field at work near Scottsboro. This makes three men killed there in twenty-four hours by lightning.

During the last year four negro banks in Mississippi have opened their doors.

J. W. A. Johnson, colored, a nephew of Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, has been placed at Gadsden as gauger, taking the place of Mr. Tatum, white, who has been removed elsewhere.

New postmasters in Alabama are: Bergamot, Choctaw county, William H. Barefield; Vinegar Bend, Washington county, Alfred R. Turner; Winn, Clarke county, Joseph L. Cravey.

Under the annual readjustment these increases in salaries of Alabama postmasters become effective July 1st: Dothan, \$1,800 to \$1,200; Troy, \$1,900 to \$2,000; Tuskegee, \$1,800 to \$1,900.

President Yerby, of the Alabama Press Association, has called a meeting of the executive committee in Birmingham June 15th.

Gadsden's city council has turned over the matter of securing donations and money for the purchase of a lot for the proposed Carnegie library to the board of education.

The constitutional duty of the act consolidating the courts of Jefferson county was attacked by a bill filed by Messrs. London & London, solicitors for John H. Wallace.

The Rennsalar Polytechnic institute main building, Troy, N. Y., was destroyed by fire. The loss will exceed \$200,000.

GIVES EIGHT FOR ONE.

What the Sandwich Islands are Worth to the United States.

"In the six years since annexation the net profits from Hawaii to the federal treasury have aggregated \$2,259,090," is the statement of George R. Carter, governor of the Hawaiian islands. Continuing, he said:

"Uncle Sam took away from Hawaii fully one-third of its annual revenue by transferring to Washington the entire receipts from import duties. The islands have presented into the treasury of the United States over \$8 for every man, woman and child living on them, getting back but little more than \$1 per capita. We have by reason of this loss of revenue been forced to cut down our expenses about 33 1-3 per cent and this retrenchment has caused no small hurt and inconvenience."

"The great disadvantage we labor under is that there has been no recognition by the United States congress of our exceptional situation and special needs. We need money for improvement of our harbors, but not one cent has been forthcoming."

WILLIAM LOGAN CAPTURED.

Is Charged With Murder Committed About Three Years Ago.

William Logan, who has been wanted for about two years, has been captured and is now in the county jail at Tuscaloosa to answer the charge of murder. He was found in Louisiana.

Logan is charged with the killing of Lewis Beavers, which occurred north of Tuscaloosa, two years ago. It is said that the two men got into some difficulty when Logan struck his adversary with an ax and afterwards shot him. The government offered \$100 reward for his arrest.

Six Ships There.

Rear Admiral Barker expects to leave Lisbon on June 16th for Gibraltar, where the squadron will remain until the Morocco incident is settled. On the arrival there of the Illinois and the Missouri the squadron will consist of six of the most modern battleships, besides the two squadrons of cruisers and gunboats now at Tangier.

They have an equipment of about 2,400 men, a large landing force if necessary.

It is also foreseen that the claim for an indemnity against Morocco may have to be settled before the Perdicaris incident is closed, this indemnity covering redress for the indignity to the prisoners and the heavy expense involved in sending ships to Tangier.

To Increase the Fund.

The society of the alumni of the University of Alabama has determined to increase the educational fund of that institution from \$2,500 to \$5,000 before 1906 and active steps are now being taken to raise money.

At present the education fund is only \$2,500, which is not deemed sufficient by those who have the welfare of the university at heart. The fund is loaned to needy students who are unable to pay their way through college. They give their notes for the amounts they borrow, which are to be paid back at the end of six years and bear 6 per cent interest.

Special Term Called.

A special term of the supreme court of Alabama called for July 5th to hear the charges against Probate Judge J. C. Wood, of Lowndes county. The court will meet on that day for a public hearing and investigation of the charges. Testimony will be heard by the court as to whether Judge Wood bought votes in the April primary, whether he is addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors so as to unfit him for his duties, and whether he failed in certain specified instances to discharge the duty of probate judge.

Artesian Well at Pratt City.

While drilling a well a mile north of Pratt City, Contractor Jackson struck an artesian stream. The water rushed out of the top of the well, flowing down the hillside. The flow is estimated at between 1,300 and 1,400 gallons per hour. It is only 200 feet deep.

Motion Denied.

The supreme court has denied the motion of the board of county commissioners of Jackson county to dismiss the appeal in the Scottsboro court house controversy. The appeal was made by citizens of Jackson county on the ground that the price contracted for the court house was exorbitant.

The residences of J. A. Dearing, G. S. Winfield and W. R. Davis, at Comp-ton station, Birmingham, with a total valuation of about \$6,000, were completely destroyed by fire. Insured.

Walter Q. Rawls, of Alabama, has passed his examination for admission to Annapolis.

According to the latest report of the Interstate commerce commission 1,189,315 persons are employed by the railroads of the United States, or an average of 594 employees to each 100 miles of line.

The favorite of the dowager empress, General Schwedoff, treasurer of the Red Cross, is one million roubles short in his accounts. He lost the money on the race track and at the board of trade.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Poverty is the sixth sense.—German proverb.

Our worst faults are the children of our dearest virtues.—Life.

All human power is a compound of time and patience.—Balzac.

Those who love dainties are likely soon to be beggars.—Franklin.

He who is skillful in art does not continue in slipper-making.—Turkish proverb.

We can hardly learn humility and tenderness enough except by suffering.—George Elliot.

Every thought which genius and piety throw into the world alters the world.—Emerson.

Disappointment in love is the sad and merciful safeguard from disappointment in marriage.—Life.

Keep faith with all men; keep faith with thyself. This wins all battles, even the greatest and last.—Cardigan.

Our friendships hurry to short and poor conclusions, because we have made them a texture of wine and dreams, instead of the tough fibre of the human heart.—Emerson.

THE REAL COWBOY HAT.

Is Called the Cowboy Hat Because Cowboys Do Not Wear Them.

The tenderfoot is abroad in the land, under the cowboy hat. You can "spot" him invariably by the head-gear.

Time was in Montana when the stiff, umbrella-like hybrid-sombrero "sky piece," now known as the cowboy hat, was a necessity from the Canadian line to Idaho. But that time is past. Now only a small portion is of the cowboys themselves; the remainder is the tenderfoot who desires to give the impression that he is a "bad-man."

Somebody imported the hats in from the east, where they are manufactured and exploited by a firm that, probably, never saw a steer or a coulee. Hence, the exaggerated style. They are sold by the foot, like timber. You lean over the counter and explain to the clerk the diameter desired. He saws you off a chunk of hat, and there you are.

There is the real cowboy hat and the imitation cowboy hat. Like the Panama the real thing is seldom seen, the imitation often. The real cowboy hat is expensive, the imitation may be had at rates within the reach of all.

The original article was made for the west. It was broad because the blinding rays of the sun, either on bare prairie or snow, were unsupportable without a broad brim; it was stiff, because if limp it would have flapped in the puncher's face as he rode. The tenderfoot wears the broad brim for looks and a stiff brim because it is easier taken off when you bow to a lady.

The cowboy hat is a fad, and, like all fads, will pass away

C. W. BRADY,
Gale, Ind.

W. A. STONE.

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

See Sheriff's sale in this issue.

C. A. Glaze, of beat 10, was in town Monday.

Simon Friedberger spent yesterday in Birmingham.

Miss Cora Morgan visited friends at Shelby last Friday.

T. J. Wells, of Shelby Springs, was in town Saturday.

J. H. Mason spent Monday in Montgomery on business.

Supt. W. E. Knox, of Anniston, was in the city yesterday.

Solicitor W. R. Oliver, of Calera, was in the city Friday.

J. K. Milner, of Anniston, visited relatives here last Thursday.

Henry Milner spent last Thursday in Birmingham on business.

J. N. Robertson spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Birmingham.

James Evans, of Wilsonville, was in the city a short while Sunday.

J. F. Pope, of Wilsonville, was in the city last Friday on business.

Prof. J. L. Glenn and J. E. Gunn, of Calera, were in the city Monday.

Mrs. W. A. Parker is visiting relatives up at Klen for a few days.

Rev. T. M. Nelson and wife are visiting relatives over at Sylacauga.

Mrs. George Bird, of East Lake, is visiting the family of H. W. Nelson.

Willie Thompson, of Brookside, visited relatives here last week and this.

Columbiana was well supplied with drummers during all of last week.

All 25 cent preparations for 20 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason & Co.

Prof. John W. Stone, of Calvary, was in the city a short while Saturday.

John Merrell, of Shelby, spent Sunday afternoon in the city with friends.

Miss Carrie Rowe returned Monday from a visit to friends at Tuscaloosa.

Henry Latham and Henry Chapman visited relatives in Montevallo Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Roberts returned last Thursday from a visit to Cottonwood, Ala.

Miss Jamie Foster, of Tuscaloosa, is in the city, the guest of Miss Carrie Rowe.

Will Milner, of Birmingham, visited relatives here last Friday and Saturday.

Rev. G. T. Harris filed his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thomas on the 9th inst., a ten pound daughter.

We have had several cool mornings this week, which reminds us of the fall season.

E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo, was among the visitors in town Friday and Saturday.

Ed Strickland, of Wilton, spent a part of Sunday and Monday in the city with his wife.

J. R. Hill, of Gulf Point, Miss., visited the family of W. G. Parker Monday and Tuesday.

A. L. Haley, of Brookside, has been in the city a few days this week visiting relatives.

Gip Harmon, of beat 6, was in town Friday on business connected with the Sheriff's office.

J. Gilbert Johnson, of Orville, Ala., was in the city last Thursday and Friday on business.

J. R. Dyke, of Sterrett, candidate for Circuit Clerk, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Miss Ethel McMath, of Montevallo, was the guest of Mrs. W. F. Davis a few days this week.

Mrs. C. T. Acker and children are visiting relatives in Helena and Birmingham for a few days.

Mrs. T. M. Wilson and Miss Luella Wilson visited relatives in Calera last Thursday and Friday.

Commissioner's court adjourned last Friday afternoon and met here again Tuesday in extra session.

George Mansfield, of Birmingham, spent a part of Thursday and Friday in the city with his wife.

Quite a number of our people attended the picnic and public speaking at Browning's mill Saturday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Davis 4 miles northwest of this place on the 8th inst., a daughter.

J. W. Johnston has just returned from the Yellow Leaf coal fields with fine specimens of domestic coal he has commenced operation on his land. The quality of coal is equal to any in the state and quantity inexhaustible.

W. D. Bailey, of Vincent, was in the city Tuesday.

Tom Caldwell, of Birmingham, was in the city Tuesday.

T. B. Teel, of Canton, was in town Wednesday on business.

J. W. Farmer, of Dallas, Ga., visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. W. D. Lacey, of Maylene, is visiting Mrs. A. H. Weaver.

A. P. R. Dab, of Calera, was in the city yesterday on business.

Mrs. A. M. Elliott, of Anniston, is visiting relatives in the city.

B. J. Holcombe and George Porter, of Calera, were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Mattie Hand, of Jemison, is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.

M. C. Banks, of Montevallo, was among the visitors in town Wednesday.

J. R. Beavers, of Birmingham, has been in the city this week visiting friends.

G. E. Weldon, of Wilsonville, attended the Wilkins-Nelson marriage here Tuesday.

J. P. Pearson and Miss Birdie Pearson are visiting relatives in Birmingham this week.

Miss Alma Finley, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to Calera Tuesday.

Mrs. Bartlett, of Talladega, and Miss Maude Bell, of Lineville, are visiting the family of J. J. Haynes.

Misses Bessie Robertson and Cora Morgan spent a few days this week with friends at Montevallo.

Columbiana defeated Calera in a game of ball yesterday at that place by a score of 10 to 7.

J. O. Dorrough, of Dunnivant, candidate for Supt. of Education, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Miss Fannie Wilkins, of Ashville, Ala., visited the family of H. W. Nelson last week and a part of this.

Several of our young people enjoyed a picnic at Shelby Springs Wednesday and reported a nice time.

All 25 cent packages of Liver-powders, black draught and etc., 15 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason & Co.

Mrs. S. Goldberg, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to her home in Talladega Sunday.

Prof. L. B. Riddle, one of Wilsonville's prosperous merchants, was in the city a short while last Thursday afternoon.

Tom Watersworth, who has been in the city for several weeks with his family, returned to his home at Billmore, N. C. Saturday.

For sick headache take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Bros.

The Columbiana base ball team will play at Shelby this afternoon, and will also play the Wilsonville team here Friday afternoon.

Harry Roberts, who is pitching ball for Decatur this season, spent a part of last Thursday and Friday in the city with his wife.

James Vest, a popular conductor of the Southern Railway, and Jack Breneman, of Wilton, spent last Thursday in the city with friends.

Wilson Milner, who has been attending college at Auburn, visited relatives in the city Thursday and Friday, before returning to his home in Anniston.

Columbiana can now boast of having a grand stand at the ball ground, and Nolen Barnett had it put up. The price of admission to the stand is only 10 cents.

Rev. C. W. O'Hara and wife and Miss Ida O'Hara are on an extended visit to relatives at Beaumont and Groesbeck, Texas. They will return home about the last of July.

Miss Lillie Mae Liles, who has been attending college at Asheville, N. C., returned home last Thursday to spend the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Liles.

The Columbiana and Shelby base ball teams crossed bats here last Friday afternoon, and resulted in a victory for the home boys by a score of 8 to 7. Both teams played good ball.

Mrs. Henry Milner, Miss Esther Mason, Miss Stella Powell, of Childersburg, Miss Kittie Avery, of Shelby, also Rev. W. I. Sinnott and Miss Lillian Crosby and Roger Crosby, of Stockton, are in St. Louis attending the World's Fair.

Henry Walthall, of New York City, visited relatives and friends in the city Friday and Saturday.

Henry resided here several years ago and went from here to New York where he has been engaged every since on the stage as an actor. His many friends here were glad to see him.

Miss Mae Quigley, who has been back trimmer for the Columbiana Millinery Shop here for several months, resigned her position last Saturday and will leave for her home in Louisville, Ky., some time next week. She is spending the week with Mrs. W. F. Davis. Miss Quigley has made many friends here during her stay here, who will regret very much to see her leave.

A Quiet Home Wedding.

One of the prettiest home weddings ever witnessed in the social circles of Columbiana, was that of Mr. Floyd M. Wilkins and Miss Lillian Nelson at the home of the bride one mile south of this place yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. Just a few friends and the immediate relatives were present. Rev. G. T. Harris of the Methodist church performed the ceremony. In all its details, the marriage was unique and well arranged. The pretty young couple were beautifully attired for the occasion and many compliments were paid them. Mr. Wilkins is an excellent young man, sober, industrious and handsome. He is a son of Rev. Wilkins, pastor of the Methodist church at Asheville, Ala., and who was formerly pastor of the Wilsonville circuit, this county. He is a young man well known and liked by all, and is at present agent for the Southern Railway at Wilsonville, and stands high with the officials of the road. Mrs. Wilkins is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Nelson, and is a beautiful young lady. She numbers her friends and admirers by the score. They left immediately after the ceremony for Asheville where they will visit relatives. The young couple carry with them the best wishes of every one. Their future home will be at Wilsonville.

Masonic Conference.

To the Masons of Shelby county:

The second regular semi-annual meeting of the Shelby county Masonic Conference, A. F. & A. M., will be held at Columbiana beginning Wednesday, June 20th, at 8:30 o'clock, P. M.

All Masons in the county in good and regular standing in their respective lodges, are not only cordially invited, but earnestly solicited to attend this conference. Every effort is being made by the members of the Conference to make its work supply a long felt want in the order. There will be several special features of this meeting of the conference which will readily commend themselves to every Mason. Among which will be the presence of Master A. M. Scott, Grand State Lecturer, who will be with us from the beginning to the close of the conference. He will be engaged the greater part of the time exemplifying the work, and all Masons who have ever witnessed this venerable and distinguished Master at work, can fully appreciate what this means, and the grand opportunity that will be afforded the Masons of the county to obtain light in the mysteries of our grand order.

All of the lodges in the county have been invited to have present at the Conference, on June 20th, early as 10:30 o'clock, A. M., their officers-elect, in order that they may be jointly installed. The installation will be public, and will be conducted by Grand Lecturer Scott.

One of the most pleasant and profitable features of the conference will be a Masonic address to be delivered by Gov. R. M. Cunningham, Past Grand Master, on Thursday, June 20th, at 2 o'clock. This address will be public, and will be delivered in the Court-house. Everybody invited to hear this distinguished and able orator.

All Masons in attendance at the Conference will be entertained, and the Secretaries of the various lodges are requested to send to me the names of all who will attend in order that homes may be provided.

D. R. McMillan, W. M.

P. D. Lee, Secretary.

Ben Weaver, son of Elias Weaver, died very suddenly at his home Monday morning at 2 o'clock, aged 28 years. It seems that he had not been sick any at all until he was stricken Sunday afternoon with convulsions a few hours prior to his death. He never regained consciousness after he was taken sick. Mr. Weaver was a young man in the prime of life, and owned and operated a large farm six miles east of Columbiana. He was unmarried and was apparently a young man of fine health. He was a brother to our townsman, George Weaver. The sudden death of this young man brings sorrow to his many friends in that community and throughout the county where he was known. The funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the family cemetery by Rev. George Crumpton. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

The Advocate regrets to chronicle the sudden death of old aunt Maryland Harkins, col. wife of G. H. Harkins. She came to her death as a result of a burn she received while trying to extinguish some fire in the woods near by her home Monday about 12 o'clock. She had gone out to try to help put out the fire and her clothing caught on fire and she was burned almost to death, living only a few hours after the accident. She was a highly respected darkey and in her the white people could rely. She was 70 years old. She was ever ready and willing to lend a helping hand to any one in distress or sickness. She was a typical old slave darkey, and all people, both white and black, regret to know that Aunt Maryland Harkins is no more. She was buried Tuesday afternoon.

Married, on the 12th of June, 1904, by Rev. W. H. Sturdivant, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. Xavier Breneman and Miss Donna Louise Coshatt, both of Aldrich, Ala.

Campbell—Bradford.

Mr. J. E. Campbell, of Centerville, Ala., and Miss Florence Bradford, of Aldrich, Ala., were happily married on last Sunday morning, June 5th, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Y. R. Sample, Rev. N. J. Jarvis performing the ceremony. They left for Centerville, where they will make their future home. Their many friends wish for them a long and happy life.

All Day Singing.

There will be an all day singing at Ricketts Ridge church on Sunday the 26th day of June, 1904. Every body invited to come and bring well filled baskets.

PRINTING MURPHY.

All 50 cent preparations at 40 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason & Co.

Coalville.

Dry weather still continues.

Health of community good at present.

Misses Nora Holcombe, Flora and Birdie Kendrick attended church at Lester's Chapel Sunday.

Hardy Grimes went to Pleasant Valley Sunday.

Walter Gilbert and sisters, Misses Rosa and Mary, attended church at Lester's Chapel Sunday.

Elery Kendrick and Arthur Davis were welcome guests at Rev. J. H. Grimes' Sunday afternoon.

Miss Vera Haddaway, of Redlawn, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Atkinson.

Jim Luquire went over to Mrs. Robinsons Sunday.

Walter Kendrick and W. H. Gilbert attended the picnic and public speaking at Brownings mill Saturday, and report a pleasant time. They also attended the Ho business singing at Florence church, but Walter says he did not enjoy that very much for some reason unknown to the writer.

"Alpha" wants a joint discussion between the two parties, but it seems that Alpha is going to get stuck in spite of all that can be done. Well, poor Democrats, it just means this in English, if you don't come you are beat, and if you do come out you are sure beat.

We hope they will come out and tell us about Longshore's Road machinery. If they don't come Longshore will have to tell himself, and of course he won't tell it like they will. ALPHA

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c at Williams Bros. and J. W. Bundy Drug Co.

Calvary.

The services at Mt. Calvary was a success Sunday.

This is leap year, W. E. Minor's girl went home with him Sunday.

P. K. Minor visited relatives and friends here Saturday.

Miss Mary Minor visited relatives and friends near Columbiana Sunday.

Rev. B. C. Hughes was called to Mt. Calvary Sunday.

Lewis Miner went to see his girl near Liberty Sunday.

The crops at this place are looking fine since the rain.

A. C. Evans, of Pulham, passed through here Sunday.

Walter G. was the happy escort of Miss Jamie Minor Sunday.

Prof. Thomas Farr went to the singing at Mt. Bra Sunday.

Miss Pearl Farr attended divine service at Mt. Calvary Sunday.

Miss Augusta Farrell visited Miss Jamie Minor Monday.

A FRIEND.

STARTLING EVIDENCE.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Benaville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctor after doctor failed to cure me. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles cured me. Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Williams Bros. and J. W. Bundy Drug Co. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

Mt. Chapel.

Weather very warm and dry, we need rain very bad.

We have plenty of measles in our community.

Louis Minor was the happy guest of Miss Birdie Kendrick Sunday afternoon.

James Luquire made a business trip to Birmingham Tuesday last.

We have appointed a new preacher at Mt. Calvary, Bro. Ben Hughes.

Misses Flora and Birdie Kendrick attended divine worship at Lester Chapel Sunday last.

Ollie Holcombe was the happy guest at Coalville last Sunday afternoon.

Diek Minor, of Fourmile, was in our community Sunday. We were very glad to see the old boy one more time.

R. W. Evans and H. C. Hale attended the ice cream supper on Campbell Saturday night and reported a nice time.

Miss Nora Holcombe was the guest of Miss Flora Kendrick last Sunday afternoon.

PALZON.

Mrs. Salie Dorian—Lot 3, block 60, Montevallo, Ala. Tax and cost \$11.80; printers fee 42.

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Thos. R. White—S half of se qr, sec 6, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$3.97; printers fee 53.

Ira C. and J. T. Woolley—W half of sw qr and fraction of, and lots C. and D. and lots C. D. and E. in sec 19, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$3.70; printers fee 1.65.

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Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent Tax Payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due and thereon reported as assessed to you the following real estate and to Owner Unknown, 7 to-wit:

BEAT 1.

A. Colverson—Lots 8 and 10, block 93, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$127; printers fee 45.

Robert Davis, col.—NW qr of ne qr and W half of sw qr of ne qr, sec 34, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 85.

Wm Lewis—SE qr of sw qr, sec 6, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$1.63; printers fee 63.

Alex McKay—Lot 4, block 97, lot 10, block 98, in ne qr of ne qr and block 115, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$2.55; printers fee 82.

G. G. Varner and Jas Knight, col.—Lot No 15, block 115, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$1.34; printers fee 63.

W. J. D. Williams—NW qr of ne qr and S half of ne qr, sec 8, tp 18, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$1.54; printers fee 63.

D. S. and W. T. Brooks—NE qr of se qr, less 15 acres off south end, sec 34, tp 17, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$1.84; printers fee 93.

Dr. E. A. Matthews—SE qr of sw qr, sec 14, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$1.00; printers fee 63.

Mrs. G. J. Welch—Half acre lot and cottage thereon, between public road and railroad track in ne qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$9.00; printers fee 102.

Mrs. Lucy Little—Lot 9 and lot B and lots C, D, E, in ne qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 8, tp 24, r 12 e. Tax and cost \$3.55; printers fee 116.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$3.37; printers fee 63.

Frank Wilby—One vacant lot in Columbiana, Ala., 22 feet square bounded on the north by property of L. M. Dike and east and west by the Dike property. Tax and cost \$2.48; printers fee 102.

J. W. McCarty—S half of se qr, sec 24, tp 18, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.20; printers fee 102.

H. McGill—Southwest quarter of southwest quarter less 5 acres S. E. ne qr of sw qr, less 1 acre S. E. sec 25, tp 20, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$1.70; printers fee 85.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$3.37; printers fee 63.

Geo. D. Reed—E half of ne qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$5.43; printers fee 63.

Jno. L. Goodson—Half interest in W half of ne qr and se qr of ne qr and W half of ne qr, sec 3, tp 20, r 2 w; all ne qr of sw qr, sec 28, tp 20, r 2 w; all ne qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 29, tp 20, r 2 w; and ne qr of ne qr and W half of se qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$10.74; printers fee 295.

Forence Glyn, col.—NE qr of ne qr, sec 2, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 63.

Terrell Col Co.—N half of ne qr, and a half of ne qr, sec 10, tp 19, r 2 w; ne qr of sw qr, sec 5, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of se qr and e half of sw qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 3 w; sw qr of sw qr and sw qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, and W half of ne qr, sec 4, tp 20, r 3 w; a half of se qr and se qr of sw qr, sec 17, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of ne qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$193.68; printers fee \$4.41.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of ne qr, sec 34, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$5.53; printers fee 60.

BEAT 2.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of se qr, sec 14, tp 24, r 15 e. Tax and cost \$4.03; printers fee 60.

BEAT 3.

After Fancher, col.—W half of ne qr, less 2.22 acres off south end, tp 22, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$4.15; printers fee 85.

rs. Ella Hill—NE qr of ne qr and ne qr of ne qr, sec 17, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$3.31; printers fee 85.

TOLD IN CALIFORNIA:

Helping the kidneys is helping the whole body, for it is the kidneys that remove the poisons and waste from the body. Learning this simple lesson has made many sick men and women well.

Judge A. J. Fetter, of 318 So. E St., San Bernardino, Calif., says: "For 18 years my kidneys were not performing their functions properly. There was some backache, and the kidney secretions were profuse, containing also considerable sediment. Finally the doctors said I had diabetes. Doan's Kidney Pills wrought a great change in my condition, and now I sleep and feel well again."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Judge Fetter will be mailed to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price 50 cents per box.

A French scientist has made some observations as to the behavior of different wild animals at sea, says the Westminster Gazette. The polar bear, he says, is the only one that takes to the sea, and is quite jolly when aboard ship. All others resent a trip on water and vociferously give vent to their feelings until sea-sickness brings silence. The tiger suffers most of all. He whines, his eyes water continually and he rubs his stomach with his paws. Horses are very bad sailors and often perish on a sea voyage. Oxen are heroic in their attempts not to give way to sickness. Elephants do not like the sea, but they are amenable to medical treatment.

The engineers who have studied the effects of fire in tall buildings in Baltimore seem to agree that iron and steel should not be intermingled in the frame of a building. Cast iron after heating and cooling shows a permanent expansion, while under similar conditions steel will return to its original dimensions. Baltimore's steel skeleton buildings resisted the fire, while cast iron buildings lay in shattered ruins. One towering steel building, although gutted from top to bottom, was found to be plumb and the skeleton in such perfect condition that the building could be refurnished and occupied again.

The czar has given a commission in the Daghestan cavalry to Prince Napoleon Murat, great grandson of Napoleon's marshal, the stable boy whom Napoleon made king of Naples. He resigned, to accept this place, a lieutenant in the Ninth Cuirassiers of the French army, in which service he won great honor in Madagascar. His grandmother was Caroline Fraser, of Philadelphia, who was governess in the family of Joseph Bonaparte when he lived in Bordentown, N. J., and afterwards married Lucien Murat. His mother, the wife of Achille Murat, was a Mingrelion princess.

A scientist has discovered that electricity may be substituted for sleep. Instead of throwing away seven or eight hours in bed every night all that a person need do is to take a heavy charge of electricity, which is administered to the brain by a special apparatus. He has a blinding sensation, followed by numbness, but this soon passes away and he emerges fresh as if just awakened from deep and uninterrupted slumber.

At Huntsville a warrant charging forgery has been sworn out against Lena Johnson, alias Nellie Smith, a young woman of attractive appearance, who claims to be from Knoxville. The woman tried to borrow a sum of money from a bank on a forged note. She has disappeared since, leaving no trace behind her.

The population of Berlin verges on 2,000,000; that of Paris is about 2,750,000.



Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can conscientiously recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often beset women. I suffered for months with general weakness, and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains, and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did."

—Miss GEMMA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association. —\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

When one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of the countless hundreds which we are continually publishing in the newspapers of this country, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all.

When Carolyn Came Home.

By NELLIE E. C. SCOTT.

"It seems funny to think of you as married and settled in a home of your own, Kate, after mothering the brood of us," remarked Carolyn Mason to her sister. She bent over a vase—one of the wedding presents.

"Frank's wife gave me that. Wasn't it a shame, Caddie, that you had to go and be sick just at the time of the wedding?"

"I know it, dear. It did seem almost too much for human endurance. But if it hadn't happened I shouldn't now be here for this splendid little visit, having the fun of taking inventory of your possessions. Is this the end of the wedding presents? Isn't there a single one more?"

Something in her sister's tone caused the bride to glance up quickly. "What do you mean by one more?" she asked.

"I was wondering if there wasn't anything from—father," replied Carolyn. Her voice faltered slightly over the last word.

"Oh, that was it, was it? Well, my dear, you may save your eyesight. There is nothing from father."

"I'm so sorry," said Carolyn. "I didn't like to write and ask you, and I had hoped you forgot to mention it." Kate laughed unpleasantly. "Oh, I should not have forgotten it!" she said. "No, he served me as he did the boys—and you; let me go without a kind word, or one of regret. And why? Just because Bert didn't suit him. As if there's a man on earth, or a woman, either, who could do that!"

"I thought he'd surely like Jessie, when Frank married her," Carolyn hazarded.

"Yes; where could you find a nicer girl? And Dick's wife, too. But because they were not his own particular choice! And what was your unparadise sin? Just because you—"

"Don't, Kit!" cried the girl, in distress. "What's the use of going all over the ground again?"

"Your voice was your one great talent. And he shut his door against his own child because he chose to cultivate it when the opportunity came!"

"Kate, I beg of you!" cried Carolyn. "How does he get along?" she broke off, suddenly.

"He is all alone. Dick told me he called there the other evening. Father was eating his supper—a poor, picked-up meal—but his grim spirit would allow him to make no concessions. He permitted himself neither apology nor comment in asking Dick to join him."

"Did I tell you that Bert and I asked father to make his home with us when we were married? We did; but he refused in such a contemptuous way that I made up my mind right there that he, not I, should make the next advances. Well, the other night Dick said it made him positively ache to see the state of the house. But what could he do? What can anybody do?" and Kate's voice softened a little. "That's the pity of it. Father's getting old, and to be there alone with no care whatever! He's still our father, and I miss the care I've taken of him for nearly twenty years."

A long silence fell in the room, which Carolyn broke when she could trust her voice.

"I'm going up there tomorrow, Kate."

"You're going up there! What good will it do? You'll just bring away unpleasant memory, and we Masons have enough of those."

"Oh, do you think I'd let him see me, after what he said when I went away at work. You know Bert said this morning that father was cutting bushes off in the elder meadow. I'll clean up the house and get one good supper ready for him, poor old man!"

It was with anything but a light heart that Carolyn found herself traveling the familiar way that led to her home—what a mockery the word seemed to her! Not a bush by the wayside, not a stone in the path but had been familiar to her ever since the happy day when her mother had watched her from the doorway the first time she went to school.

And now! She drew the floating veil down over her face as she approached the neighboring farmhouse, partly to hide the tears that dropped, partly in the hope of keeping her identity from prying eyes.

But just as she passed the lane that led to the house of Miss J. Abigail Hemingway, and saw that sharp-eyed and shrill-voiced spinster at the window, she felt that her poor little attempt at disguise was futile, and that the neighborhood would learn of her return to her father's house before Miss Abigail slept that night.

Carolyn kept her eyes to the front, however, pretending not to hear the neighborly hail that Miss Hemingway sent after her. "I guess I'm old enough to know my own business, and to do it without any of what Dick calls 'foreign influence,'" she assured herself, as she opened her father's gate and stepped into the neglected doorway.

That old John Mason was a "hard man" was conceded by all his neighbors. His children, one after another, had felt his heavy hand, all except little Carolyn, the baby and pet of the family, who had found the one tender spot in the man's rough nature.

Even between the two few endearments had ever passed; but the laying of the father's work-worn hand upon her brown curls was enough to make the child happy for days.

As she grew older, and especially after her mother's death, when the storm of his wrath would break upon the older children, oftentimes for slight cause, Carolyn, in a terror of fear for brother or sister, would creep to her father's side and slip her hand into his. As if there were magic in her touch, it never failed of effect.

But Carolyn's decision as to her "career" not only aroused the most profound sensation in the neighborhood, but changed in a day the happy relationship that had existed between her and her father for the nineteen years of her life.

Carolyn was the leading soprano in the choir of the church, and when in Christmas carol or Easter hymn her voice rose clear and high, those few travelled ones who had been as far as Boston or New York loyally declared that she could hold her own against any celebrity.

One summer a famous singer came to the village and heard Carolyn's voice. She took Carolyn away with her, placed her under the best tutors, and was training her for success.

But Carolyn's father had not seen or written to her since the day she had left home.

She found the key in that time-honored hiding-place—under the doormat. She thought Kate's description of the place had prepared her for what she should find; but the sight of the kitchen, once a marvel of neatness, depressed her. But she had not forgotten how to work. Resolutely she turned back her sleeves, and put on the big apron she had brought with her. Then she built a fire in the stove and began.

Soiled dishes were everywhere; and when these were washed it was impossible to put them back upon the dirty snaf-papers in the pantry. So, taking some old newspapers from a pile on the lounge, she sat down on the doorstep and clipped their edges into fanciful patterns, as she had used to do long ago.

The chickens came timidly toward her, and she could see in their varied hues traces of their descent from favorites of her time. A pair of fiery eyes surveyed her from a dark corner of the wood-shed, and in a delightfully unexpected answer to her tentative call, old Margery Daw, the cat, came purring and rubbing about her knees. After that Carolyn felt herself less an alien.

There was one bright spot in this benighted house—the washing was "put out," evidently, for there was plenty of clean linen. So when the rag carpets had been thoroughly swept and everything dusted, the table newly set and the stove made to shine, Carolyn felt that an article she had recently read, of "The Charm of an Old-Fashioned New England Kitchen," might have been written of hers. Of hers? Well, she was proud of it, anyway.

The September afternoon grew chill as the sun descended, and she put more wood on the fire and began preparations for supper. Red and yellow peaches bending the trees in the yard reminded her how fond of peach shortcake her father used to be. In a few minutes a pan of dough was baking in the oven, and Carolyn was slicing peaches to put between the layers.

All else was done. A loaf of feather cake stood steaming on the table beside a platter of ham and potatoes. She covered this over on the table, not daring to leave it in the oven, lest her father should not find it. And now the shortcake, crown of the feast, took its place beside the other things. It was six o'clock. Carolyn, having rolled her apron in a paper, pushed the teapot to the back of the stove, and while ready for instant flight, watched the lane intently.

A figure came slowly into view over the little hill back of the house. This was what the girl had waited for, and she followed its every movement with her heart in her eyes. Farther and farther back from the window she drew, that he might not see her, but she missed not a single detail. She noted, with a quick catching of the breath, how gray his hair had grown. Why, father—her father—was getting to be an old man! Kate had told her so, to be sure, but the statement had not impressed her like the actuality. Her father's eyes had been keen and piercing. The most noticeable thing about them now was the utter weariness in them.

He hung up the scythe in the apple-tree, and half way up to the house, as if too tired to go a step farther, dropped down upon the chopping-block and put his head between his hands.

At that moment the world held no honor that Carolyn would not have sacrificed for the right to go to her father and slip her hand into his, as when she was a child. But the memory of the words spoken three years before came back to her:

"Remember, if you leave me to go with that woman, you are no longer child of mine!"

The girl tiptoed to the door leading into the hall.

With her hand on the door-knob, Carolyn turned for a parting look at the familiar room, which had never seemed cozier, even in her mother's time. She would try always to remember it like this, and to forget how soon it must return to the state in which she had found it.

Outside in the hall, she closed the door behind her. Then she heard her father's step in the kitchen, and the sound held her irresistibly. She must see what he would do!

A light of ground glass, traced in conventional design, had been placed in the door between kitchen and hall, and through the polished petals of a flower in the glass the girl watched her father. He was standing in the middle of the floor, gazing with amazement round him, and the thought came to Carolyn, "He will search to find who did it!"

But her father made no search. What was that? Carolyn a terrible sound—half-groan, half-cry—broke from his lips. He threw himself down in the chair at the table, and buried his face in his outflung arms.

Carolyn could bear no more. Through blinding tears she made her way to the outer door, and opened it, to be met on the very threshold by the last person in the world she wished to see—Miss J. Abigail Hemingway!

"Why, my dear girl!" cried Miss Hemingway, in her piercing, high-pitched voice. "I just knew it was you, and told Sister Eunice so when I saw you pass!" Says I, "There's Carolyn Mason come home again, an' if ever a good thing happened, that's one, for her father certainly needs some one to look after him." Says I—

Carolyn was not listening. She was thinking that her father could not possibly escape hearing the noise, and that he would presently come to see what it was all about. Carolyn was proud, too proud to be caught in the act of running away from her father's house. But could her pride bear it any better if he should come out and order her away in the presence of this prying woman?

A shuffling footstep heralded the approach of the householder. He came round the house from the back, and viewed the pair without apparent emotion. He nodded a stiff "Good evening!" to Miss Abigail, and shot one questioning glance at his daughter, but did not speak to her.

They might call John Mason a hard man, but no one had ever accused him of being a dull one. He saw the appeal, unconscious though it was, in Carolyn's eyes, and recognized the cause. John Mason, as well as his daughter, was proud, and blood is thicker than water. Turning to the older woman he asked, politely enough, "Was ye comin' in, Miss Abby? Anything I can do for ye?"

"No, oh, no, thank ye, Mr. Mason! I just happened to see Carolyn as she came by this afternoon, and thought I'd be the first one to run over and welcome her, that's all."

"I'm obliged to ye. Better come in, then, Carolyn, if Miss Hemingway won't, before the supper gets cold."

Inside, father and daughter faced each other. Carolyn spoke first.

"Thank you, father, for not shaming me before her," she said, tremblingly. "I am visiting Kate, and when she told me you had no one keeping house for you, I came up to straighten things out a little, for once. I should have been away now but for meeting that woman at the door. I'm going now. Good-by!"

Instead of answering, her father came nearer, and help out both hands with an imploring gesture.

"Caddie!" he spoke, the childish name huskily—"Caddie, I'm an old, broken man. Couldn't you stay with me the little while I'll need you?"

Then Carolyn found herself where she had not been since she was a child—where she had never expected to be again—in her father's arms.—Youth's Companion.

KING EDWARD'S SILK HAT.

Of an Exclusive Design to Be Seen on None but the Royal Head.

Before leaving England the king gave an order for about a score of different kinds of hats and caps, to be prepared for His Majesty's use during the forthcoming season.

"Silks" preponderated, although almost every variety of head covering was comprehended in the order, from a soft iron gray colored "Austrian" to a motor cap with a flat, spherical crown provided with a ventilating arrangement which, if not actually designed by His Majesty, was evolved under his personal direction.

The style of silk hat chosen this year by the king will be seen on none but the royal head. The hat will have a broader brim with a well accentuated curl, a deeper crown and a little more bell than the hats which even His Majesty's best dressed subjects will wear. The king is the possessor of what is known to hat makers as "a good head." Those whom nature has not favored in this important particular may be interested to learn that His Majesty takes a 7-18.

"Even if it were possible for an ordinary citizen to obtain the king's shape of silk hat," remarked an ex-royal valet, "the probability is that he could not wear it. Not one man in 10,000 could wear it—satisfactorily, for it is built on special lines with careful regard to shoulders, the configuration of the face and appearance generally. Moreover, its shape gives the idea that the hat is unusually large and yet when on the king's head there is no sparser or more perfect fitting headgear."

"The king is very particular—almost exacting if I may say so—in the matter of hats. This applies to 'bowlers' as well as to the more ceremonious 'silks.'"

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

A three-minute chat between Paris and London by telephone, costs \$2.

A natural curiosity of Japan is the "insect bell." It is a black beetle, which emits harmonious sounds like those of a little silver bell.

Only 24 white elephants have been captured since the beginning of the Christian era. This is the declaration of a noted elephant catcher of India.

In the kitchen of a house recently unearthed at Pompeii was found a fireplace with a kettle on its grate just as it was left by some Pompeian housewife over 1800 years ago.

Greece is overrun by well-educated men who do not know how to earn a living. The country swarms with doctors who have no patients and lawyers who have no briefs, while laborers who till the soil are at a premium.

Yorkshire, England, has a farm on which moths and butterflies are reared for sale. It is planted with trees and shrubs for the purpose. Forty thousand caterpillars are always on hand and orders can be filled at any time of the year.

Gustave Mace, the famous Paris detective who recently died, invented for his own use a pair of spectacles, the glasses of which were divided, one part enabling him to see the ground on which he trod and the other to observe people who were behind him.

She Hated to Tell Her Age. Judge—How old are you? Lady—What—I can't remember Judge—What year were you born in? Lady—What—I forget.

Judge—Well, madam, your instinct for self-preservation still seems to work all right.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

Roman Jose Lascony De Paula, a bright young Filipino from the island of Negros, was awarded the faculty prize of \$40 for the best essay from among the members of the graduating class of the law department of Georgetown university.

About three and one-third million tons of pig iron were made in southern furnaces during 1903.

CATARRH IS THE CAUSE OF MOST KIDNEY DISEASES.

PE-RU-NA CURES CATARRH.



Samuel R. Sprecher, Junior, Beadle Court, Angelina, 3422, I. O. O. F., 205 New High St., Los Angeles, Cal., writes: "I came here a few years ago suffering with catarrh of the kidneys, in search of health. I thought the climate would cure me, but found I was mistaken. But what the climate could not do Peru-na could and did do. Seven weeks' trial convinced me that I had the right medicine, and I was then a well man. I know of at least twenty friends and members of the lodge to which I belong who have been cured of catarrh, bladder and kidney trouble through the use of Peru-na, and it has a host of friends in this city."—SAMUEL R. SPRECHER.

Catarrh of the kidneys is a common disease. It is a pity this fact is not better known to the physicians as well as the people. People have kidney disease. They take some diuretic, hoping to get better. They never once think of catarrh. Kidney disease and catarrh are seldom associated in the minds of the people, and, alas, it is not very often associated in the minds of the physicians. Too few physicians recognize catarrh of the kidneys. They doctor for something else. They try this remedy

and that remedy. The trouble may be catarrh all the time. A few bottles of Peru-na would cure them.

Pe-ru-na Removes the Cause of the Kidney Trouble.

Peru-na strikes at the very center of the difficulty, by eradicating the catarrh from the kidneys. Catarrh is the cause of kidney difficulty. Remove the cause and you remove the effect. With unerring accuracy Peru-na goes right to the spot. The kidneys are soon doing their work with perfect regularity.

Thousands of Testimonials. Thousands of testimonials from people who have had kidney disease which had gone beyond the control of the physician

are received by Dr. Hartman every year, giving Peru-na the whole praise for marvelous cures.

Peru-na Cures Kidney Disease. The reason it cures kidney disease is because it cures catarrh. Catarrh of the kidneys is the cause of most kidney disease. Peru-na cures catarrh wherever it happens to be located. It rarely fails.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peru-na, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

Captain James L. Dempsey, Captain 2nd Precinct Troy Police Force, writes from 188 Ferry St., Troy, N. Y., as follows:

"From my personal experience with Peru-na I am satisfied it is a very fine remedy for catarrh of the kidneys, whether of the head, lungs, stomach or pelvic organs. It cures cures quickly, and a few doses taken after undue exposure prevents illness."

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—JAMES L. DEMPSEY.

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CAPTURED INNER FORT

Reports Say Japanese Have Possessed Themselves of Port Arthur Defense.

LOST 1,000 MEN IN THE FIGHT.

Russian Squadron Has Completed Its Raid After Damaging the Japanese Fleet.

There is current a Chinese rumor that the Japanese have captured one of the inner forts at Port Arthur, losing one thousand men in the engagement. It can not, however, be confirmed.

The agitation among the Mongols inhabiting the Altai region is increasing over the appearance of the god Aiol, who they believe will deliver them from a foreign yoke and create an independent kingdom. The Mongols are gathering in thousands to answer to the summons of men who are proclaiming themselves to be the apostles of the god Aiol. These men are inspiring awe among the ignorant nomads by means of an alleged miracle carried out with the aid of electrical and pyrotechnical devices. They warn the Mongols to abstain from wearing white or red clothing, these being Russian national colors, and to wear only blue and yellow, the national colors of Japan, and urge them to worship the sun and moon. They also warn the inhabitants to discard all agricultural implements, and to keep their arms hidden in the mountains and elsewhere.

The raid of the Russian Vladivostok squadron is over. The squadron disappeared off Cape Henshi, steering to the north, and it has not been reported since. It is assumed to be returning to Vladivostok. Whether or not a portion of Vice Admiral Kamimura's squadron is awaiting the Russians off Vladivostok is a carefully guarded secret.

The weather has been foggy, and thus conditions have been against the Japanese. It is said that the raiding Russians captured a British steamer laden with coal, bound south from the island of Yezo, and sent her to Vladivostok with a prize crew. Japan had thirteen transports in and near the strait of Korea the morning the Sado and the Hitachi were caught. She was fortunate that only three ships were overtaken.

There had not been a fresh attack on Port Arthur by land or sea up to June 14th, though the Japanese had made a fourth unsuccessful attempt to block the entrance to the harbor, using four fireships, two of which were immediately sunk by shots from the batteries, the other two withdrawing.

The raid of the Vladivostok squadron has brought criticism upon Vice Admiral Kamimura from the Japanese, and his failure to catch the Russians in the firing off Gen San, off the coast of Korea, when the Japanese transport Kinsui was sunk on April 28th, with a loss of about two hundred men.

Some of these even declare that if Vice Admiral Kamimura fails to catch the Russian vessels before they reach Vladivostok he should either resign from the navy or commit suicide.

The popular demand for his replacement is growing.

The commandant at Vladivostok has recommended to the inhabitants that they place their families in villages along the railroad as a measure of economy. It is announced that when winter comes, families having property but no children will be allowed to remain in Vladivostok, but that other families must be prepared to leave town on short notice.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Rock Hawk struck an uncharted rock off Saddle Islands near Hang Chow bay and is a total loss. The guns from the vessel were saved and no lives lost in the disaster.

The Japanese transport Idzumi, which was reported missing a few days ago, was sunk by the Vladivostok fleet off Oshima island last Wednesday morning.

In addition to the transports Hitachi and Sado the Russians sank the Idzumi, a transport homeward bound, carrying a few sick soldiers. Three boats from the Idzumi reached shore. The losses are not known.

\$3,000,000 MORTGAGE.

Its Recording Means a Railroad Extension.

A deed of trust for five million dollars given to the Colonial Trust company of New York by the Mississippi Central Railroad company was recorded Saturday. The money will be used for the extension of the lines to Natchez and Pascagoula.

It is learned that Andrew Carnegie's donation for the erection of a temple of peace, which has never been used on account of the squabble over a site for the building, has been transferred to the general peace committee for such disposition as they deem fit.

Charge Lee, at Panama, cabled the state department that the national convention of Panama has ratified the pending treaty of extradition with America.

TYNER THREATENS SUIT.

Will Ask \$100,000 Damages for Defamation of Character.

General James N. Tyner, once assistant attorney general for the post office department, will institute suit against Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States, if the latter should ignore his letter of June 11th asking the retraction of the president's criticism of his conduct.

The allegation will be defamation of character and the damages will be set at \$100,000. The law is being now carefully investigated by General Tyner's attorneys and unless the word from the white house is soon received the case will be filed.

It is pointed out that Tyner was acquitted on May 25th and that he waited until June 11th for some word to come from the executive mansion recalling the accusations. Finally the general wrote a letter to President Roosevelt, and after waiting a sufficient time for it to reach him gave a copy to the papers.

Drowned with Her Fortune.

Some \$200,000 in valuables were found upon the bodies of the victims of the Slocum.

There is one package for which no claim has yet been established. It was found on the body of a woman at first supposed to be that of Eva Kruger, but not yet identified.

The property consists of eight bank books, showing deposits of nearly \$25,000; two or three life insurance policies amounting in all to about \$10,000 or \$15,000; deeds to property in New York and elsewhere, and a considerable amount in bank notes.

The deeds, insurance policies and the bank books are all in the name of a person who it would seem is quite different from Eva Kruger, but the coroner is keeping the name secret for the present.

TO AVENGE BROTHER'S DEATH

Jesse Calhoun Shoots the Crouch Brothers, His Brother's Slayed. Reports of the killing of Ike and Tom Crouch at Crouch's Landing, La., on Black river, Miss., have reached here.

The report says that Jesse Calhoun, aged about 23 years, was standing on the steamer Columbia when the Crouch brothers, aged respectively, 20 and 26 years, were about to board the boat. Calhoun fired three shots from a Winchester rifle, killing the two brothers instantly and slightly wounding a negro.

Three months ago the Crouches shot and killed Calhoun's brother about a negro laborer, and the double murder is the outgrowth of that affair.

Tennessee Business Boom.

There are reported from Tennessee the following new enterprises: Memphis, \$100,000 land company; brick works; \$70,000 candy factory; \$80,000 vehicle factory; handle factory.

Pulaski—\$30,000 building company. Covington—Chair factory. Chattanooga—\$50,000 plow factory. Hall's—\$100,000 flouring mill. Decherd—Electric light plant; water works.

Huntington—\$10,000 tobacco factory. Greystone—Telephone company. Tazewell—\$30,000 coal and coke company. Knoxville—\$10,000 medicine factory.

Large Fire Losses.

According to the records of Insurance Commissioner Cole, of Mississippi, the losses by fire in Mississippi during the month of May were the largest ever known in the history of the state, those of Yazoo City alone reaching \$1,300,000 and the total loss being nearly \$2,500,000. This was about one-seventh of the fire losses in the United States during that month.

Georgia's New Industries.

Savannah—\$50,000 excelsior factory; 30-ton cold storage plant. Columbus—Bottling works. Thomson—Electric light plant. Waynesboro—Oil mill. Helena—Stave factory. Cartersville—Laundry. Dublin—Tile factory.

"Dixie" Prevents Horror.

At Americus, Ga., a catastrophe that might have been terrible was narrowly averted. The Americus theater was packed beyond its capacity. Twelve hundred people, principally ladies and children, filled the building when an alarm of fire was given from without.

Hundreds rushed for the single entrance, twenty feet above the pavement, and reached by a single wooden stairway. The orchestra, with wonderful inspiration, struck up "Dixie."

This served to restore quiet. In the stampede on the outer stairway several women fainted.

10,000 More Spindles.

At Huntsville the Lowe Manufacturing company is having plans drawn for an addition to its cotton mill that will amount to a doubling of its capacity. The mill at present has more than 10,000 spindles.

St. Louis sent a rush order to the Bessemer plants for 325 cars, or twenty train loads of pipe. These factories have all they can do for a year to come.

A FEARFUL DISASTER

Was That of the Steamer Gen. Slocum Near Hell Gate in East River.

EXCURSION STEAMER BURNED.

Greatest Loss of Life Ever Known on American Inland Waters—Death List May Reach 700.

The seventeenth annual excursion of the Sunday school of St. Mark's German Lutheran church, New York city, last Wednesday chartered the steamer General Slocum to carry the excursionists to Locust Grove, one of the resorts on Long Island sound.

While in the East river fire, said to have started by the overturning of a pot of grease in the lunch room, broke out and in a few minutes had spread over the vessel. Captain Van Schaik, who was in command, says he immediately rang the bells for getting out the fire fighting apparatus.

He headed his steamer toward shore at 134th street, but was warned not to endanger the oil and lumber stored there and changed his course for North Brother's island, near the entrance to the sound, some half a mile away, where the boat partially burned was beached.

It is variously estimated that there was between 1,500 and 2,500 persons on board the steamer, though the company which owns the Slocum officially states that the number of passengers was \$73, that being only one-third of the vessel's capacity. It is thought, however, that there were several hundred children in arms, for whom fares are not usually charged.

Numerous small boats went to the aid of the burning vessel, but in the meantime the passengers, most of whom were women and children, had become panic-stricken and many not caught by the flames jumped overboard.

So far 559 bodies have been recovered, of which about fifty remain unidentified. Thirteen officers of the St. Mark's church are among the dead, one of them being a woman.

Although many of the bodies taken to the morgue were very badly mutilated, and the clothing in many cases almost entirely burned off, valuables have been taken from them and are in the keeping of city officials to the extent of \$200,000 or more. Several of the women and men had the savings of a lifetime on them when they perished.

President Barnaby, of the Knickerbocker Steamship Company, the owners of the steamer, makes a general denial of the reports that the steamer was equipped with worthless life boats and life rafts were lashed to the steamer with wires.

"The apparatus for fire fighting on board the boat at the time of the accident was of the very best that money could buy," said Mr. Barnaby. "The equipment was thoroughly overhauled this year, and we spent over \$25,000 on her in refitting, machinery, hose, extinguishers, pumps and machinery, as well as for life preservers. We did all and more than the law requires. The fact that the vessel was rated as an A1 risk is the best evidence that everything was done that human foresight could provide."

The coroner's investigation to fix the responsibility for the disaster will begin on Monday. The federal authorities as well as the district attorney also will hold an investigation and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, through its counsel, has signified its intention to push the inquiry to the utmost.

It is alleged that the life preservers were too securely fastened to their holdings to be available and stories are told of frantic efforts made by strong men to cut them loose; but even if they could have been torn down, they were too high up for the children to reach. It is also alleged that no attempt was made to get out the fire apparatus.

An eye-witness said that great loss of life was due to the collapsing of the upper deck. It fell soon after the fire started, crushing hundreds who had gathered on the lower deck. It was then that the great panic ensued amid the stream of persons going over the rail.

There is in the coroner's possession a standpoint taken from the submerged wreck. The valve of the pipe is closed tight, showing that no effort was made to open this pipe.

It was stated by divers that there are many bodies still under the entanglement of timbers and paddle wheels, and that it would be necessary to dynamite the bulk or raise it before they could be reached.

Murder or Accident?

The body of John Culburn, a miner, was found beside the railroad tracks at Brookside. From the position of the body and its condition many believe that the miner was not killed by the train, but that he was murdered and his body placed on the track to cover the deed.

The man's arm was cut off, and his knee was broken. Internal injuries were also in evidence, and there were a number of bruises.

BOILER EXPLODED.

And Four are Injured, One Fatally.

A terrible boiler explosion took place Saturday at the sawmill of W. M. Huff, five miles east of Gadsden. The injured are: Love Herring, scalded from stomach down in horrible manner and cannot live; Ed Dentore, deep gash in both sides; Dell Huff, leg scalded, ankle dislocated. Dentore was standing at a well getting a drink of water when the explosion occurred. He and the well curbing were blown 50 feet.

Love Herring, the fireman, had up 150 pounds of steam and the safety valves were tied down. He secured a piece of iron and pushed up the valve to let off some steam. When he removed the rod the explosion followed, wrecking the entire mill and demolishing everything, parts of the boiler being blown a hundred yards away.

The mill was the property of A. J. Bradley of Keener, Ala. It was valued at \$1000.

DYNAMITE IN THE WOOD.

Explosion of a Stove May Prove Fatal.

Mrs. Lee Slinker, while in the kitchen at the home of her brother, Jesse English, at Bessemer Saturday afternoon, received burns which may prove fatal. The stove upon which she was heating irons, for some unaccountable cause exploded throwing fire in every direction, setting fire to the house and the woman's clothing. Before assistance could reach her, her clothes were ablaze severely burning her about the body.

The house and all the household goods were entirely destroyed, leaving the family in very destitute circumstances.

The cause of the explosion is not known, but it is supposed that the wood had dynamite in it, which had been placed there for the purpose of splitting it, but had never been exploded. The citizens of Bessemer are raising subscriptions to aid the family.

A Baby's Death.

Annie, the little 20-months-old daughter of James Parker, of Girard, met death in a peculiar manner. The child, while playing about the yard, went under the house. A swing had been suspended under the house and was hanging low, as it was used by children. In some manner the little girl fell across it. Her throat rested across the cords forming the edge of the swing, and her feet barely missed touching the ground. The little one did not have strength enough to change her position, and she slowly choked to death.

ALABAMA TOPOGRAPHY.

Government Men Making Surveys of Several Counties.

The field work of the eastern division of topography of the geological survey during the coming season will cover portions of twenty-two states. In Alabama, acting in co-operation with the state geologist, two large parties from the federal survey are engaged in mapping portions of Shelby, Jefferson, Blount, Cullman, Lee and Chambers counties.

Treasurer Commits Suicide.

J. B. Mills, treasurer of Summitt, and a prominent citizen of south Mississippi, committed suicide in a Jackson hotel. He left notes to several persons explaining that he had not the courage to commit the act at his home, and declaring that it was done because he was embarrassed financially. It is learned that his accounts as treasurer of Summitt were all right, and that his financial difficulties were personal. He was about 60 years of age and a confederate veteran.

Date palms are to be planted in the great American desert.

SAW MILL BURNED.

The saw mill of the Southern Manufacturing company, near Gadsden, was destroyed by fire Saturday morning. Owen H. Hart, the night watchman, was very badly burned in his efforts to extinguish the flames when he first discovered them. The loss will reach \$3,000 with only \$500 insurance.

Half Paid His Debt.

As a part payment of the shortage of ex-Sheriff H. Ben Ferrall, of Russell county, \$1,300 was turned over to Auditor Thomas L. Sowell Saturday. Ferrall left the office of sheriff of Russell county four years ago owing the state, \$5,000. With this payment, and through the efforts of Phares Coleman, attorney for the state, about half that amount has been paid. It is expected that the state will receive the balance due it.

The new rolling mill at East Birmingham is almost completed and brick is being laid on the ground for another mill.

Highway Robbery.

Robert Harvey, a white miner from Warner mines, was found in an unconscious condition in Birmingham. He had been stabbed in two places in the body and his head was badly bruised from being beaten with some heavy implement.

After he regained consciousness he said he was knocked in the head and robbed by two white men, a description of whom he was able to furnish the police.

BREVITIES BY WIRE.

Adjutant General Brandon has made requisition for equipment for the three regiments of Alabama national guard which should get to all of the commands by the middle of July. Khaki uniforms have been ordered for the whole brigade, with mess outfits, canteens and haversacks. Necessary equipment has also been ordered for target practice.

The last chapter in the bank robbing scheme of L. C. Harding in Attalla will take place when the fixtures of the People's Bank and Trust Company of Attalla will be sold by the sheriff in favor of J. B. Malone, of Attalla, who lost \$530.80 in the failure. The fixtures are worth probably \$150, and have been stored for some time in Attalla.

The report of the Alabama car service for the month of May shows that there were 6,500 cars handled by the four railroad companies running into Bessemer. For the past three years Bessemer has handled 11 per cent of all the cars handled in Alabama and Mississippi, and also ranks second with the cities of the state in tonnage.

At Frithurst the large store belonging to Dr. Linley and J. M. Walker & Son was burned to the ground Thursday night. The fire was gotten under control and the flames did not spread to the adjoining buildings. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is almost a total one, as no insurance was carried.

Fire at Talladega Wednesday destroyed the building occupied by John T. Adams, Jr., jeweler, and V. F. Handley, merchant tailor. The loss to the building is probably \$1,000, covered by insurance. Mr. Adams' loss is \$2,400 with \$2,000 insurance, and Mr. Handley's loss was \$600, fully covered.

The residence belonging to Hon. George H. Parker in East Cullman was almost totally destroyed by fire Friday. It originated on the roof of the cook room from a defective fire and spread very rapidly. The loss is estimated at \$3,000. Insurance, \$1,200 on the house and \$1,000 on the furniture.

Moore & Co. in 1902 made a contract with Enley to do a considerable amount of grading on Twentieth and Twenty-first streets and after the work had progressed to some extent they were stopped by the city. In a suit for damages the jury gave Moore & Co. \$1,000.

W. H. Hancock, a white man, was killed at Flat Top mines by an empty trip of cars. The state mine inspector has been notified of the accident and an assistant inspector has gone to the scene to make a full investigation. Hancock was pretty badly mangled.

The A. and J. stove works of Gadsden are spending \$10,000 in improvements and enlargements and the plant will start up again with double the ordinary force. It will give employment to fifty men and will turn out seventy-five complete stoves a day.

R. A. Anderson, proprietor of the Artos dairy, Selma, met with an accident. In attempting to breach his shotgun the shell was exploded, the powder flying up into Mr. Anderson's face and almost putting out one eye. A telegram from Syracuse, N. Y., says that Madeline Banks, a white woman about 21 years old, fell from a street car and fractured her skull. She was registered from Birmingham.

News from Newton states that the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City road is completed to that point, and that trains will be running soon.

The Boaz postoffice was broken into and robbed of something like \$500. The robbers secured \$300 in money and \$200 in stamps.

At Ensley, Thursday night, fire broke out in the office of J. R. Raible & Co., cooperage manufacturers, and the entire building, together with the office equipment, was destroyed.

All the furnaces at Thomas are now operating on full time and the coke ovens are all in blast.

Vulcan has been given to the city of Birmingham and Jefferson county by the Commercial club.

B. M. Davis, of Louisville, is the lowest bidder at \$4,994 on the contract for the low pressure steam heating in the new Montgomery public building.

G. G. Vaughan, of Selma, took second place in the southern interstate shooting tournament at Warm Springs, Ga.

Chief of Police White, of Gadsden, was injured in a scuffle with a negro he was trying to arrest.

The accidental firing of a flobert rifle killed Frank M. Kennedy, aged 15, in Birmingham.

The Alabama Wholesale Grocers' association met in Mobile Thursday and Friday.

Santos Dumont, has arrived from France on his way to St. Louis to compete for the \$100,000 prize which has been offered by the exposition authorities. The date of his attempt to navigate the air depends, he says, upon how quickly the express company can send along his airship. Seven days will be required to put the machine together.

The sixth and new furnace of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company at Ensley is nearing completion.

FORTY-ONE MORE BODIES

Recovered From the Slocum Disaster Sunday.

Sunday's harvest of dead from the steamer Slocum numbered forty-one, bringing the total number of bodies so far recovered up to 624. Of these 559 have been identified. Men with grapple drew up a section of the rail of the upper deck of the Slocum, about thirty feet in length. The bodies of four women were clinging to the rail, the fingers gripping the interlaced wire roping. This is part of the rail which gave way just before the steamer was beached, precipitating one hundred persons into the water.

During the day, two women whose arms were locked around a life ring, were recovered. These rings were made of canvas filled with cork and are supposed to float four persons. The ring was not cut open tonight, so that it is not known with what it is filled, but when it was thrown on the water it sank immediately. The ring was recovered by the police and will be turned over to the coroner.

Secretary Cortelyou, of the department of commerce and labor, visited the scene.

Guatemalan Ant.

The Guatemalan ant that attacks the cotton boll weevil is a large, reddish brown ant, provided with mandibles large enough to grasp the boll weevil (a kind of beetle) around the waist, as it were, and strong enough to pry apart the joint between the beetle's thorax and abdomen. Not content with this dismemberment, the ant at the same time bends its long, flexible body around its victim, and inserts its sting at the point where the beetle's shell armor opens. The poison of the sting takes effect instantly, and the weevil never recovers.

Wherever the ant is found in Guatemala the Indians raise cotton successfully, in spite of their ignorance of all the conditions of proper cultivation.

The question has been raised whether the Guatemalan ant, being of tropical origin, could live in our southern states. The boll weevil itself is of tropical origin and has learned to hibernate in Texas. Moreover, the ant excavates a nest three feet in the ground, where it would be entirely safe against any frost that visits our southern states.

A single pair of boll weevils will multiply into millions in a single season, whereas the ant is propagated, as bees are, by queens.

Panama's Money.

The commission charged with the preparation of the currency system for Panama reached an agreement which established a coin equivalent in fineness and weight to the dollar of the United States as the standard, and which also makes the United States dollar legal tender in Panama. Under the terms of the agreement, the Panama government will re-coin or convert the Colombian silver into coins of the size of the silver dollar. This amount of silver is now estimated at \$1,500,000.

At the request of Secretary Taft it was agreed to coin as much more silver as necessary until a total of \$6,000,000 is reached. In order to maintain a parity with gold, there will be deposited 15 per cent of the amount coined, and in addition there will be deposited all the seigniorage which Panama will make in the coinage to meet the American government's requirements.

Summer School.

The summer school at the University of Alabama has begun. President Abernethy expresses himself as being greatly pleased, the number of matriculates going far beyond his expectations.

Anniston's Glass Factory.

The machinery for the glass factory to be built in Anniston will be shipped from Anderson, Ind., within the next thirty days and installed as rapidly as possible. A number of the buildings at Anderson will be moved. The company has already commenced work at the Dixie Tile and Pottery company, which it has leased, and the brick for the new glass factory will be manufactured right away.

Canadian cotton companies have agreed to close down all their mills for the first two weeks in July, and there is every probability that some of them will remain closed much longer. The shut down is caused by the condition of the raw cotton market, and by lack of protection due to the British preference which takes off one-third of the duty of 35 per cent.

At Jacksonville, Fla., Charles McCoy, attorney with offices in Chicago, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in a bath tub at a hotel. McCoy, it is said, in the last few days had lost \$10,000 by speculating in stock on Wall street.

Brigadier General Cleary, U. S. A., retired, of Mobile, Ala., called to see Chief Geronimo at the Indian school, at the world's fair, but the old Indian refused to recognize the general who at one time chased him through the mountains of Arizona.

Maj. H. M. Folsom of Elizabethton, Tenn., one of the oldest and best known men in that section of the state, fell over a cliff, one hundred feet, on the bank of Watauga river, near Elizabethton, and the fall was fatal.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Skepticism may take the place of salvation when it can heal our sorrows.

Many a man thinks he is on the lookout for evil when he is only looking at evil.

In proportion as wickedness is common the commonwealth is turned to common use.

There is always hope for a man so long as he can look at things with the eyes of a child.

It's a queer kind of humility that leads a man to hide his light when the lost are seeking it.

The really busy man always has more time than the man who only thinks he is busy.

Let a man learn that everything in nature goes by law, and not by luck, and that what he sows he reaps.—Emerson.

As a man travels on in the journey of life, his objects of wonder daily diminish, and he is continually finding out some very simple cause for some great matter of marvel.—Washington Irving.

The power of faith is in the simplicity of faith. When a man believes in God with all his heart, he has no more fear for anything but his own disobedience. Today, tomorrow and all the endless days are his. Life becomes a plan of God, and the heart rests in the power that shall fulfill it.—I. O. R.

ANTIQUITY OF CIVILIZATION.

The Long March of Time From Flint Implements to Ivory Statuettes.

So far as the question of time is concerned, it deserves notice that not merely geology, but almost every form of inquiry into the past, throws further back the limits of antiquity.

Egypt, for instance, is continually furnishing fresh proofs of the antiquity of civilization. Prof. Flinders Petrie expounded at Owens college, Manchester, England, a few days ago the results of a recent exploration at Abydos, in Upper Egypt, from which it appears that the ruins at that one spot tell a continuous story that carries us back 5000 B. C. Abydos was the first capital of Egypt, and remained for 45 centuries the religious center, the Canterbury of the land; and the Egyptian Exploration Fund has unearthed the remains of "ten successive temples, one over the other."

From the age of the first temple a group of about 200 objects has been found, which throws surprising light on the civilization of the First Dynasty. A part of the large glazed pottery of the First Dynasty, the first king of the First Dynasty, about 4700 B. C., showed "that even then they were making glaze on a considerable scale, and also inlaying it with a second floor. The ivory carving was astonishingly fine, a figure of a king showing a subtlety and power of expression as good as any work of later ages."

At about 4000 B. C. an ivory statuette of Cheops, the builder of the great pyramid, was found, the only known portrait of him. Making every possible allowance for the marvellous rapidity of art development, must not many thousands of years have rolled over between the pristine dwellers in the Nile valley and the men who carved ivory statuettes and manufactured glazed ivory inlaid with stomach colors? It is a long time from implements to the solemn temple ivory statuettes and human portraits.—London Telegraph.

A Siwash Strike.

The Siwash who hunt for market about Sitka, Alaska, have taken a notion to have a hand in the matter of game protection themselves. They say if the government won't let them kill deer to sell any time they want to, then they will not kill deer at all except for their own use. Sitka wondered at the scarcity of venison soon after September 1, last year. There was only the smallest quantity on sale, and at fabulous prices. Sitka began to ask questions, and it developed that the Indian hunters had formed a "union" among themselves and agreed to kill no deer for market in the open season unless they could do the same in the closed season. Sitka argued, then protested, then got down on her knees and offered bright new silver for fresh venison, but the silent Siwash didn't hear, and went on eating clams under his banner, "Kill now, kill all the time." Sitka wept and coaxed, but it did no good. At last accounts she was eating salt salmon, "canned truck," and tough beef shipped in on the hoof from the states. The placid Siwash said never a word and bided his time, feasting on clams.—Field and Stream.

A Frank Comment.

Housekeepers will appreciate this little story of Dean

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COUNTY TICKET.

For Probate Judge:
A. P. LONGSHORE.

For Circuit Clerk:
JOHN R. DYKE.

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JOHN S. PITTS.

For Tax Collector:
W. A. BRASHER.

For County Treasurer:
W. E. HARRISON.

For Supt. of Education:
J. O. DOROUGH.

For Commissioner 1st District:
J. E. DYKES.

For Commissioner 2nd District:
JAMES M. ALLEN.

For Commissioner 3rd District:
PLEASANT SHAW.

For Commissioner 4th District:
G. W. GREEN.

For Coroner:
J. F. ATCHISON.

NOT SO.

Beginning with the year 1900, the railroads have refused to pay the special taxes levied by the Populist administration: the road and the bridge tax. The courts have said the railroads were justified in their refusal to pay the illegal tax, and thus the burdens on the common people of the county have been doubled by the action of the present administration.—Sentinel.

The Sentinel seems to be given over to hardness of heart and reproach of mind, if it runs up on the truth by mistake, it backs off from it like the average man would from a rattlesnake. The editor seems to think that truth is a dangerous thing for a Democrat to handle, and we think so too; the truth, if told, would put the Democrats out of business. The editor could have found out if he had desired to know the facts, that none of the cases have been tried except the first levy; the other cases are now pending, and will be tried at the next term of the court. The Sentinel should always state the truth, it pays in the long run.

The Sentinel without regard to the feelings of any one, condemns the Populist as carpet baggers, and tries to soar the doings of the Democratic party to the skies. When Carrie this is funny to the people of this county. They know the record of the Democratic party in this county, and they know that it is as corrupt as hell itself. They remember the treatment they received at the hands of the Democratic party in this county, and when you begin to condemn the Populist as carpet baggers etc., you show your own ignorance and littleness.

If the Sentinel will lose its regard for the truth, so far as to make such willful misrepresentations as is shown that it makes, can the citizens of Shelby county rely on its teachings. Now Carrie in this county where the citizens are intelligent thinking people, you can't run a "bluff" on them. They won't "bluff" see!

The Sentinel said when the Populist went into office that the Democrats turned over sixteen thousand dollars to them. The facts and figures show that there was only \$553.20 turned over and that the county was badly in debt. Carrie, this is only one instance where your pen run away with the facts.

If the Sentinel had always confined itself to facts and figures, its statements could now be relied upon, but Carrie, you thought you would just come up to Columbiana and just smash the whole thing, but you kinder "fell off" didn't ye?

What Democratic candidate was it that tried to have passed a city court bill, that required every man who was sued to deposit four dollars before he could get a jury?

Facts and figures should convince even the most selfish partisan. The facts and figures show that tales have been told on the Populist administration.

A JOINT CANVASS.

The conference committee of the Democrats, Populists and Republicans to arrange for a joint discussion, met at the Courthouse last Monday at 3 o'clock, and after considerable discussion, an agreement was reached to have a joint canvass, beginning the 1st of August and ending November 7th, 1904. The following is the agreement reached:

We, the undersigned committee of conference appointed by the Democratic Executive Committee and by the joint Populist and Republican Executive Committees for the purpose of agreeing on times, places, terms and speakers for the joint political campaign in Shelby county, and to arrange all details of the same, hereby agree on the following:

First—The joint discussion of the political issues in the county shall be between the candidates alone, provided that any one of the speakers may substitute in his place at any time he may desire, a man of his own selection from the county.

Second—That any political speaking not arranged for in Section one and three, the opposing political party shall have ten days written notice of the same and said speaking shall not be advertised as a joint discussion unless the invitation shall have been accepted in writing, and said invitation shall be answered within three days from their reception, and if accepted, the details other than the time and place, shall be arranged by the sub committee here in provided for.

Third—That said joint discussion shall begin on Monday, August 1st, and end November 7th, 1904.

Fourth—That W. B. Browne and R. F. Cox are hereby appointed a sub committee to arrange time, places and other details for joint discussion as provided in Section one and three.

W. B. Browne, J. F. Pope, E. S. Lyman, J. F. Avery, W. R. Oliver, Members Democratic Committee.

R. F. Cox, H. M. Norris, J. H. Mason, J. L. Abercrombie, Frank Finch, Members Sub Committee Populist and Republicans.

The Sentinel is a great hand to try to take a running start on things. It is trying to make you believe that the Advocate is trying to prejudice the people, when the Advocate is only trying to keep the people from being prejudiced by the Sentinels' rot.

There is not a single voter in Shelby county who can take the files of the Sentinel and take its statements and compare it with the records and facts, but what will say the Sentinel is only trying to prejudice the people by misrepresenting the facts. Now Carrie, your attempt to run the "prejudice bluff" on the Advocate, is a dead give away and like many other things you "blab out" too quick.

The Sentinel says the Advocate is trying to array friend against friend and neighbor against neighbor, cause dissension and strife among those who have grown from boyhood to manhood in the same neighborhood. Now we refer you to the files of the Sentinel, and if it has not got more rot and littleness in its columns than any little sheet you can find, then we are not calculated to judge what is intended for to prejudice.

A Letter

The writer to the Columbiana Sentinel from Vincent, beat 16, in his would be August article, thinks he is smothering the Peoples Party, but he is only tooting his vile breath away. And it is a true maximum—that says the tooter that toots his own horn, will toot and toot until his tooting will be forlorn, and if he will go to Columbiana and examine the records and there see that under Populist administration we have built about 44 wooden bridges, two iron bridges, built the poor house anew and improved the roads all over the county. So we say after he examines the records and takes into consideration the true situation and facts, he won't have so much appetite to go out on the back porch and spit. But we think he will have to say, well done thy good and faithful servants; thou hast been ruler over a few things and now I'll help to make you all rulers over many things.

Yes, we admit that the majority of the voters of Shelby county are thinking for themselves, but they are thinking of the past treatment of insults imposed upon them by the organized Democratic party in the past, when they only asked and wished to be at liberty to vote as they thought best. They are also thinking perhaps of about 1000 white men that was disfranchised by the Democratic party's new Constitution in Shelby county and of about 60,000 white men that was disfranchised in Alabama.

FROM BEAT 19.

Summer Hill.

Mrs. J. W. Johnston, of Columbiana, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Ida Lyons, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to Shelby Friday.

We are sorry to state that Mr. Ray is still very low.

W. B. Price and family attended the singing at the Kingdom Sunday.

Rev. J. E. Dykes and wife are visiting relatives at East Calera.

Don Jones and wife visited relatives at Lynch Sunday.

Joe Blackmon and family, Parry Dykes and family visited Mrs. Blackmon Sunday.

J. B. Collum and wife, of Greensboro, came Friday to the bedside of Mr. Ray.

Ronda Price filled his regular appointment at Mr. Comers Sunday.

B. T. Johnson visited his family Saturday and Sunday.

Edgar McGiboney was in our community Sunday.

Porter Price visited relatives at Columbiana last week.

Clarence Johns was on the sick list last week.

Alonza Nelson was in our midst Tuesday.

East Saginaw.

Lee Smith, of near Calera, was here with his brother Saturday. We learn he was to marry a Miss Blackerby Sunday. Some of our people went a seining Saturday and caught a nice lot of fish. The ice cream supper at Mr. Bentley's Saturday night was a grand success and quite a number of people were out. Oliver Brown went to Columbiana Saturday and he got in a very nice rain so he says on his way back. We learn Mr. Johnson, of Columbiana, has found some fine coal on his farm near here. Uncle Fred Archer is very old and feeble besides being sick out.

Will Payne and Sam Farrell went to see their girls as usual Sunday. Listen, where are we going to have our next ice cream supper, can you tell Bob? The school near here is progressing very nice with P. W. Harper as teacher, and the first week's enrollment was 26. This is good. Well, as it is time to cock and eat again I will close by saying we are going to have a wedding soon, look out.

Calvary.

Weather dry and gloomy.

The Sunday school at this place was quite a success Sunday.

W. E. Minor visited homefolks Sunday.

G. W. Stone transacted business in Birmingham one day last week.

Prof. John B. Farrell and sister, Miss Augusta, visited at the home of J. W. Minor's last week.

The ice cream supper at Mr. Bentley's was enjoyed by all that were present.

Miss Mary Minor returned to her home from Columbiana Saturday.

Pickens Minor, of Columbiana, passed through this community Sunday.

Lum Farrell transacted business in Columbiana Saturday.

R. W. Evans attended divine service at Pleasant Valley Sunday.

H. C. Farrell was the happy escort of Miss Leila Robinson Sunday.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up the system. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by Williams Bros. & J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

Dyke's Mills.

Health of community very good. Crops are looking very well, but are needing rain. Saw-milling is about a thing of the past, but we have a steam chair factory just going up, and will be operated by Davis, Collins & Isbell, which we hope will prove a success. All people who wish to buy chairs to last a life time will do well to place their orders with them. L. P. Bradshaw is still grinding corn at Dyke's mill, having ground about 18,000 bushels since Christmas. Well, the singing at this place Sunday was a grand success and enjoyed by all who had the pleasure of attending the people began gathering early and by 11 o'clock there was 600 people on the ground. At eleven o'clock we had a short but interesting address by Rev. R. R. Brasher, followed by Rev. J. W. Palmer, after which they were dismissed one hour for dinner, which was spread and a public invitation given; after all had dined there was a lot of dinner left. We wish to thank the surrounding communities for their kindness and assistance in this singing. We also wish to thank the young people of this and other communities for their good behavior, although the place was crowded and the weather was very hot, everybody was quiet. Everything went off calm, and in short it was a day well spent and long to be remembered.

TAR HEELS AND FRIENDS.

NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!!! I will pay the following price for cross ties: 37 cents for pine ties and 30 cents for oak and will take them up once a week, between Columbiana and Calera, and will pay the cash once a week. Ties to be 7 x 9, 8 1/2 feet long.

M. H. B. JONES.

Coalville.

Everybody knows that we are needing rain. So much dry weather is making the farmers look a little long faced.

R. F. Cox passed through this community last week.

Ollie Holcombe spent last Wednesday night with Walter Kendrick.

E. J. Gilbert and A. A. Brasher found a bee tree last week.

L. R. Kendrick went to Columbiana last week on official business.

Willis and Miss Rosa Gilbert are visiting relatives near Vincent this week.

S. L. Nivens went up to Sewell's logging camp last Saturday.

Elbert Armstrong passed through our community last Saturday.

Walter Kendrick and W. H. Gilbert attended the ice cream supper at East Saginaw last Saturday night and report a huge time.

J. T. Nivens, of Sewell's logging camp, visited homefolks last Saturday night.

The patrons of K. Springs met last Saturday and elected Prof. S. P. Williamson as their teacher for next year. This is a wise selection. Prof. Williamson is an up to date teacher and a tip top Republican.

We have been informed that the Commissioners are going to have a new bridge erected a cross Yellow Leaf creek near Liberty church this summer.

Tom and Austin Nivens went to Union Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Grimes filled his regular appointment at Pleasant Valley Saturday and Sunday.

Burfee and Myrtle Gilbert, Clara Moore, Walter Clifton, Flora and Birdie Kendrick attended childrens day at Union Sunday.

Miss Birdie Watson was at the ice cream supper at East Saginaw last Saturday night.

Elbert Armstrong and Jim Luquire went to Union Sunday.

Success to the Advocate.

"ALPHA."

Darguin.

Oh my! How we do need rain.

Rev. Black filled his appointment at Darguin Sunday.

J. E. O'Barr went to Birmingham last week on business.

Prof. W. S. McEwen and Miss Beniah Murphy visited relatives and friends at Clanton Saturday and Sunday.

A. C. Leonard visited relatives in Birmingham Sunday.

John Cook, of Deatsville, visited his brother Ed Cook, of this place, the latter part of the week.

Albert and Myra Dancan visited relatives at South Calera Saturday night.

Ye scribe has to haul water 3 miles so you may know we are anxious to see rain.

I don't believe I ever saw crops as sorry at this time of the year in my life, if we don't get rain soon and a lot of it we are going to be left. The writer is not farming this year but he is a natural born "sager" and likes to see the corn and cotton grow.

Say Carrie, ain't the "Pops" about as though a thing to smash as you ever ran up against, you had better grind your hatchet on the rock of truth and what it on the oilstone of facts before you go any further.

The Sentinel is like the two Irishmen that went hunting and found the polecat, one of them hit it with a stick and the skunk began to scatter his perfume all around the other, one says hold pat, just leave him alone that scent will kill him in a few minutes. So there is no use wasting time with "sister Carrie," the scent will do the work, just hold your nose as you pass it by and "let her go galagher."

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THROWN FROM A WAGON.

Mr. George M. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely injured. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by Williams Bros.

Mt. Era.

Plenty of dry weather.

Attendance at Sunday school was small.

Some of our boys and girls attended services at Pilgrims Rest Sunday.

Will Haywood, Wesley and Sidney Lynch attended the ice cream supper Saturday night at Henry Davis.

John Roach and lady, of Campbell, are in our little town at this writing.

The boys of our town are in good heart now as they can live without work, for blackberries are getting ripe.

Sidney Lynch transacted business in Columbiana Saturday afternoon.

So we will leave you all for this time.

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BLACK WEED, the great vegetable remedy for Rheumatism, Catarrh, and Kidney and Bladder complaints, has met with almost instantaneous success because it has made some noteworthy cures of very severe cases.

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Mrs. James H. Cross.

There was never a woman more loving, affectionate tender true and deserving.

Of praises oh, we sorely feel the loss But God called her, our dear Mrs. Cross.

Called her out of this world of sin. It grieves us deeply, very deeply

To have her presence gone, we're sorely in need; Oh just such pure noble women as she.

But to heaven she has gone we know To join in angel's song.

The dear true pure face so fair, Is now we know with angels' up there.

Peacefully roaming with a crown of God's love, 'Twill be sweet to meet her in realms above.

The dear good friend we always loved, Ready to welcome loved ones to that land.

And 'twill be glorious to clasp the loving hand, Of her dear one in that heavenly land.

Where we too shall join that happy throng, So let us prepare it won't be long, When we'll go to meet her who has gone alone.

If we obey God's command to her we'll near.

We see the dear one standing on the strand; Ready to welcome loved ones to that land.

And 'twill be glorious to clasp the loving hand, Of her dear one in that heavenly land.

Where we too shall join that happy throng, So let us prepare it won't be long, When we'll go to meet her who has gone alone.

Mrs. PEABODY CREEK GOODALE.

CHAMBERLAIN'S STOMACH AND LIVER TABLETS BETTER THAN A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION.

Mr. J. W. Turner, of Truhart, Va., says that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done him more good than anything he could get from the doctor. If any physician in this country was able to compound a medicine that would produce such gratifying results in cases of stomach troubles, biliousness or constipation, his whole time would be used in preparing this one medicine. For sale by Williams Bros.

Notice of Sale of Valuable Coal Lands.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Probate Court of Shelby County, Ala., rendered on the 20th day of February, 1904, the undersigned, as commissioner, appointed by the Court to sell said lands, will sell for partition to the highest bidder, for third cash and balance in one and two years in front of the Post Office in Calera, County of Shelby, Ala., within the legal hours of sale, on the 14th day of July, 1904, the following described lands, belonging to Mrs. Annie E. Vandergrift and George W. Beach, to-wit: The northeast quarter of sec. 35; the south half of the southeast quarter of sec. 23; the south half of the southwest quarter of sec. 25; the north half of the northwest quarter of sec. 36; the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of sec. 36; the southwest quarter of section 36, all in township 20, range 4 west, and known as Enoch Tyler's estate on the Cahaba River, containing 480 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

The above property is three-quarters of a mile from the Southern R. R., and one mile from the L. & N. R. R.

JOSEPH T. COLLINS, Jr., Commissioner.

Address: Attorney, Woodward Building, Birmingham, Ala.

N. B.—Parties interested will please write to me at above address.

Notice No. 25480.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., June 15th, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on August 1st, 1904, viz: William J. M. Carter, Homestead Entry No. 32,980, for the nw 1/4 of the sw 1/4 of sec. 26, tp. 20, south of range 3 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: R. A. Peyton, of Pelham, Ala., T. I. Windfield, of Helena, Ala., W. C. Powers, of Pelham, Ala., R. E. Bowdon, of Hardyville, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice of Registrar's Appointments.

Whereas, by virtue of the provisions of Section 6 of "An act to further regulate elections in the State of Alabama," approved October 9, 1903, "The Board of Registrars in each county shall visit each precinct at least once, and oftener if necessary, between July 1st and October 1st, 1904," to make a complete registration of all persons entitled to register, and shall remain there at least one day, from 8 o'clock in the morning until sunset, and they shall give at least twenty days' notice of the time when, and the place in the precinct where, they will attend to register applicants for registration, by bills posted at three or more public places in each election precinct, and by advertisement once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper, if there be one published in the county. Now, therefore, this is to give notice, as required by said law, that the Board of Registrars for the county of Shelby will sit at the following places at the time specified for the purpose as aforesaid:

Bamford,	Beat 5, Monday,	July 11.
Helena,	" 6, Tuesday,	" 12.
Maylene,	" 10, Wednesday,	" 13.
Montevallo,	" 4, Thursday,	" 14.
Calera,	" 3, Friday,	" 15.
Canadamarque,	" 7, Monday,	" 18.
Pelham,	" 17, Tuesday,	" 19.
Highland,	" 12, Wednesday,	" 20.
Bold Springs,	" 12, Thursday,	" 21.
Martin's,	" 8, Friday,	" 22.
Day's X Roads,	" 11, Saturday,	" 23.
Sterrett,	" 15, Monday,	" 25.
Dunnivant,	" 13, Tuesday,	" 26.
Vandiver,	" 14, Wednesday,	" 27.
Vincent,	" 16, Thursday,	" 28.
Creswell,	" 10, Friday,	" 29.
Harpersville,	" 10, Saturday,	" 30.
Wilsonville,	" 9, Monday,	Aug. 1.
Spring Creek,	" 2, Tuesday,	" 2.
Shelby,	" 1, Wednesday,	" 3.
Columbiana,	" 1, Thurs, Friday and Sat.	Aug. 4, 5 and 6.

SPRIGT DOWELL, C. H. FLOREY, J. L. GLENN, Board of Registrars for Shelby County.

W. B. BROWNE, President.

W. L. FARLEY, Cashier.

COLUMBIANA SAVINGS BANK.

Statement of Condition January 1, 1904.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
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Loans and Discounts, \$16,782.77	Capital Stock, \$15,000.00
Bank building, fixtures, 7,000.00	Deposits, 52,639.61
Other Real Estate, 3,000.00	Due Banks, 2,263.00

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Grover Liles has a position in Birmingham.

R. W. Lewis, of Sterrett, was in the city Friday.

Solicitor Oliver, of Calera, was in town Tuesday.

W. J. Sewell, of Weldon, was in the city Monday.

There was quite a crowd in town Saturday trading.

T. B. Holcombe, of Weldon, was in town Saturday.

R. T. Johnson, of Shelby Springs, was in the city Friday.

W. R. Lawley spent Sunday in Birmingham with friends.

W. T. Raseo, of Weldon, was in the city Friday on business.

W. G. Parker has just finished burning a fine kiln of brick.

Sheriff Cox landed six train riders in jail Sunday afternoon.

William Seale, of Shelby, was in town a short while Saturday.

E. S. Lyman, of Montevallo, was in the city Monday on business.

Chapman Pitts spent Monday at Vincent with relatives and friends.

Dr. C. T. Acker was in Montevallo last Thursday visiting friends.

Ed Strickland, of Wilton, spent Monday in the city with his wife.

P. T. Pitts, of Childersburg, was in the city a short while last Thursday.

J. H. Robertson and wife spent Sunday near Wilsonville with relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Parker returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Klein.

G. H. Seale, of Shelby Springs, spent a few hours in the city Saturday.

Miss Lula Wilson returned Monday from a visit to relatives in Calera.

Mrs. L. N. Bowden, of Calera, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Lallie Tice, of Montevallo, visited relatives here a few days this week.

Mrs. Henry Chapman visited relatives in Montevallo Tuesday and Wednesday.

Farmer Bridges, of beat 9, was circulating among his many friends here last Friday.

Quarterly Conference for this circuit was held at Shelby Saturday and Sunday.

John Merrell and Dennis Blackford, of Shelby, were in the city Sunday afternoon.

John Upshaw and wife, of Bessemer, were in the city a short while Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Lefkovits and children, of Bessemer, are visiting the family of Max Lefkovits.

Will Harrell is working as agent for the Southern Railway at Flat Top, Ala., for a few days.

Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw, of Goodwater, filled his appointment at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. J. S. Pitts and children returned Monday from a visit to relatives at Sylacauga and Vincent.

J. B. Comer, of Shelby Springs, was in town Friday and renewed his subscription to the Advocate.

F. M. Hallmark, of the Southern Railway, spent a part of Saturday and Sunday here with his family.

J. J. Haynes and family and Mrs. Joe P. Roberts and children spent a part of last Thursday at Shelby Springs.

White and Davis now have in about thirty phones at this place, and they are receiving more orders every day.

Mrs. A. Friedberger, who has been spending some time with the family of Max Lefkovits, returned to her home in Talladega Thursday.

The ice cream supper given at the White House last Thursday night was a success and enjoyed by all who attended. The Columbian string band furnished music for the occasion.

The Columbian ball team went down to Shelby last Friday afternoon and defeated that team by a score of 14 to 12, and on account of darkness the game was brought to a close in the eighth inning by the Columbian boys, as the Umpire would not call the game. The home team played good ball from start to finish. Batteries: Roberts and Albright; Webb and Avery.

J. R. Cargile and Jim Patterson, of Calera, were in the city Tuesday.

Charlie Brooks, of Birmingham, was in the city a short while Tuesday.

George Mason spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with his family.

John C. Williams and H. W. Parker, of Shelby, were in the city Saturday.

Columbiana was well represented at the ball game Friday afternoon at Shelby.

Miss Scottie McKenzie, of Talladega, is the guest of Miss Lallie Longshore.

Rev. H. M. Millstead attended the Quarterly Conference at Shelby Sunday.

Mrs. A. H. Weaver is visiting relatives and friends at Maylene for a few days.

Mrs. D. R. McMillan and Mrs. Henry Milner returned Saturday from St. Louis.

Mrs. Harry Roberts has purchased the E. D. Hall residence near the court house.

A. B. Milner, of Nashville, spent Wednesday in the city with relatives and friends.

J. R. Pope and James Evans, of Wilsonville, were in the city Monday afternoon.

Quite a number of fairs went out to see the ball game Tuesday afternoon at Depot park.

Mrs. Jeannette Stanfield, who has been visiting relatives in Bessemer, returned home Monday.

Misses Esther Mason and Lillian Crosby and Roger Crosby returned Monday from St. Louis.

Mrs. Ellie Christian and children returned Friday from a visit to relatives in Anniston.

Mrs. J. B. Pitts and children spent Saturday and Sunday at Wilsonville with relatives.

Miss Janie Wallace, of Klein, visited her sister, Mrs. W. A. Parker a few days last week and this.

For the want of space the Florence and Yellow Leaf correspondence had to be left out this week.

We desire to thank Mr. W. E. Holcombe, of beat 1, for a nice box of peaches brought us Wednesday.

All 25 cent packages of Liver-powders, black draught and etc., 15 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason.

Pierce Mason, who has been attending college at Greensboro, is at home spending the summer vacation.

The three Sunday schools of this place will have a picnic at Shelby Springs or some where else one day next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Erick returned Sunday from St. Louis, where they have been attending the World's Fair.

Miss Myrtle Chapman, who has been visiting relatives in the city for several weeks, returned to her home in Montevallo Monday.

There will be an Ice Cream supper at the White House Friday night of this week. Everybody invited to come and bring some one with them.

H. M. Millstead has purchased the vacant lot near the cotton warehouse from Mrs. M. E. Mason and will commence the erection of his new gin house about July 1st.

Josiah D. Farrington of Montevallo, died in a hospital in Selma late last night. He had been brought here at 9 o'clock to be operated on for a dissection of the stomach.

Mr. Farrington was 67 years old. He was the father of Sam Farrington of Selma. His remains were shipped to Montevallo at noon today.—Selma correspondent to the Montgomery Advertiser of June 21.

The Columbian and Calera ball teams crossed bats here Tuesday afternoon, and it was one of the prettiest and most exciting games that has been played on the home diamond this season. The Calera boys all played good ball and held the home boys down to two scores until the ninth inning, when they made four runs, making the score 9 to 6 in favor of Calera. The Calera boys were all good natured and went away rejoicing over their victory. The home team played good ball, but liked something, and we can tell what. Batteries: Finney and Albright; Sessions and Hunt. Umpire, Latham.

The second regular semi annual meeting of the Shelby county Masonic Conference, A. F. & A. M. will be held in Columbiana beginning Wednesday, June 29th, at 8:30 o'clock, P. M. All Masons in the county in good and regular standing in their respective lodges, are not only cordially invited, but earnestly solicited to attend this conference. One of the most pleasant and profitable features of the occasion will be a Masonic address to be delivered by Gov. R. M. Cunningham, Past Grand Master, on Thursday, June 30th, at 2 o'clock. This address will be public, and will be delivered in the Courthouse. Everybody invited to bear this distinguished Alabamian.

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School Districts in Shelby Co.

READ CAREFULLY.

As Secretary of the Redistricting Board of Shelby county, it affords me pleasure to announce the completion of our work.

The educational interest of every community has been seriously considered, and districts have been formed with reference to centers of population and natural barriers as the law prescribes.

A complete record of our work will be found in the Judge of Probate's office subject to public inspection.

We have created 63 new separate school districts, the boundaries of which, in most communities, have been made as per the instructions of the citizens of such communities. It is not practical to suppose that this work is a piece of perfection, but with the light which we had before us, we have given you our best possible service.

We shall from time to time, review the field and make such changes in lines as may seem necessary. Those who furnished us with diagrams of their districts need no further instructions, only by way of calling attention to the importance of electing trustees on Saturday, July 2, 1904. The law plainly says that they shall be elected on the above named date.

The school houses in the respective districts, and the officers to be taken from the householders and free holders residing in the districts, who can read and write.

A certificate of such election must be forwarded at once to the County Superintendent.

"The school districts which fail to comply with the requirements of this law may lose their share of the appropriation of the public school funds," so says Thos. L. Sowell, State Auditor.

JNO. B. FARRELL, Supt. of Education.

State Examination.

All persons wishing to take the State Examination for license to teach, are hereby called to meet the Board in Columbiana Monday July 4th 1904. Said Examination will be held in the College building, and in conformity to the law the doors will be closed at 10 o'clock A. M. You may deposit your unexpired certificates, take the additional branches and get a higher grade license.

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Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the firm heretofore known as J. H. Mason & Co., composed of J. H. Mason and W. P. Hamner, which was engaged in carrying on a general drug business in the town of Columbiana, was dissolved on June 14th 1904, by mutual consent. J. H. Mason assuming all the liabilities of said firm.

J. H. MASON, W. P. HAMNER

June 20th 1904.

All dollar preparations 80 cents at J. H. Mason's Drug store.

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family of five children, in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c at Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

All 50 cent preparations at 40 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason.

Obituary.

The angel of death regards neither old age nor youth when he puts in his sickle to reap. The people of the Bethel neighborhood seemed fully to realize this fact on the evening of the 9th inst., when the news was rapidly spread from house to house that the infant daughter and only child of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Nelson was dead.

It was indeed a sad experience to the parents to have to yield up their only child, how strange the providence that brings this sad bereavement to this happy home. She was the object of fond affections and how unprepared the parents were to give her up in death. Father and mother's highest ambition was to bring their little daughter up into womanhood and to usefulness, but how often does the unexpected happen? Rev. H. M. Millstead closed the burial services at the Johnston cemetery in the presence of perhaps the largest attendance ever congregated at that place to pay their last tribute of respect to one so young as the little one was only given to his parents care for eight months. No one questions the welfare of the sweet little babe who has gone to be with Jesus there to wait for fond parents to come and bring her home to be with them again, never to part again through all eternity.

"God in his wisdom has recalled. The boon His love had given; And though the body moulders here, The soul is safe in Heaven."

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved parents but of course we can not feel as they do over the loss.

A FRIEND, Nelson, Ala., June 18th 1904.

For sick headache take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Bros.

All 25 cent preparations for 20 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason.

Wilsonville, Ala., June 4, 1904.

Editor Advocate:—Please state in your paper that all of old Uncle Thos. Stone's connection are invited to be at Fourmile church on the 4th day of July for the purpose of having their pictures taken. All are invited to come and bring dinner.

M. W. STONE.

Maylene Items.

Health of community good.

The Maylene and Gurnee baseball teams played a game at Gurnee Saturday, resulting in a tie in favor of Gurnee. The teams will play a game on the diamond at this place next Saturday. Come boys! you must do better next time or Jim won't let you ride with him.

Died, near this place after a lingering illness on the 18th inst., Miss Lou Ryan.

Mrs. Davis Walker, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Emma Wooten, returned to her home at Cedar Grove Sunday.

J. M. Green made a dying trip to Bessemer last week.

We are very sorry to learn that Mrs. Sadie Renuan, who is confined in the insane hospital at Tuscaloosa, is not improving very fast.

Mr. McGee, of Dry Valley, visited his daughter, Mrs. A. P. Lawley, here Sunday.

M. L. Wooten made a business trip to Montevallo one day last week.

Mrs. Howard, of Woodstock, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Elkins at this place.

J. M. Shoemaker visited friends in Jefferson county last Friday.

J. R. Hunter and wife, of Gurnee, visited their mother here Sunday.

Mason Ozley, of Monroe, La., visited his sister, Mrs. Nabors, here one day last week.

Miss Minnie Harper gave an entertainment one night last week.

Dr. Beard filled his regular appointment here Saturday.

Chas. Renuan, of Piper, visited homefolks here Sunday.

The ice cream supper given by the Maylene ball team at the residence of T. H. Harper Saturday night was a success and everybody present enjoyed it.

Clay Ozley, of Dogwood, visited here Saturday.

James Harrison and Tom Ozley, of Dogwood, visited here Saturday.

William Harrison visited homefolks at Helena Sunday.

Miss Gentry, of Dry Valley, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Charles Perry.

Redrawn News.

The farmers are, as a rule, up with their work. Lay by time will soon be here and then we will be ready for politics. Enoch Baker, of Pratt City, came over Saturday on a visit to his father's family. J. L. Baker went to Wilsonville last Saturday on business.

Dora Vick, of Wilsonville, is visiting in our community. The Democrats of beat 9 seem to be very sick. Will Miner, of Wilsonville, was in our community Saturday and Sunday. R. F. Lyon and wife, of our community, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives near Harpersville. Fred was anxious for a joint discussion but September is too late. E. B. Lyon left Sunday on foot to see his girl. Rev. Hamilton filled his regular appointment at Blue Springs Sunday. Arthur Kittle and Miss Alma Farr passed through Sunday en route to the Kingdom. Josh Baker and wife visited relatives at Wilsonville Saturday and Sunday. J. B. Harkins, of Gate City, was in our community one day last week.

Weldon Items.

The children's day service at Union Sunday was a grand success. There was no preaching at the Methodist church Sunday at 11. Levi Sampley and family, of Elida, are visiting here.

Wild Bill, of Harpersville, was here Sunday. C. P. Owen went to Columbiana Saturday. Little Luther Bozeman, of East Lake, is visiting his grand parents here. There was such a crowd at Union Sunday it would take almost a week to tell who was there. The singing school will begin at Union July 11th. Mrs. Mattie Lee and children visited the family of P. M. Baldwin Sunday. Van Roper has accepted a position with J. H. Walton as farmer. F. M. Baldwin paid Columbiana a business trip Friday.

TRIUMPH OF MODERN SURGERY.

Wonderful things are done for the human body in surgery. Organs are taken out and serapied. And put back or they may be removed entirely; bones are replaced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal with mutilation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries, causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by Williams Bros.

All Day Singing.

There will be an all day singing at Rocky Ridge church on Sunday the 26th day of June, 1904. Everybody invited to come and bring well filled baskets.

PRINCE MURPHY.

STARTLING EVIDENCE.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled.

A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Centerville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles cured me."

Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Dr. J. W. Bandy Drug Co. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filed in my office a list of delinquent Tax Payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due and thereon reported as assessed to you the following real estate and to "Owner Unknown," to-wit:

BEAT 1.

A. Culverston—Lots 8 and 10, block 28, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$127; printers fee 35.

Robert Davis, col.—NW qr of nw qr and w half of sw qr of nw qr, sec 34, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$294; printers fee 48.

Alex McKay—Lot 4, block 97, lot 10, block 13, lot 22, block 116, lot 23, block 115, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$253; printers fee 22.

G. G. Varner and Jas. Knight, col.—Lot No. 15, block 116, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$134; printers fee 63.

W. J. D. Williams—NW qr of nw qr sec 8, tp 18, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$134; printers fee 63.

D. S. and W. T. Brooks—NE qr of sec 14, less 15 acres of south end, sec 34, tp 17, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$134; printers fee 63.

Dr. E. A. Matthews—SE qr of sw qr, sec 14, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$150; printers fee 63.

Mrs. C. J. Welch—Half acre lot and cottage thereon, between public road and railroad track in nw qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$6.94; printers fee 10.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$35; printers fee 63.

Frank Wilby—One vacant lot in Columbiana, Ala., 22 feet square bounded on the north by property of L. M. Dyke and east and west by the Dyke property. Tax and cost \$24.83; printers fee 1.63.

A. W. McCarthy—S half of sec qr and S half of sw qr of nw qr, sec 24, tp 18, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$3.20; printers fee 102.

H. McGill—Southwest quarter of southwest quarter less 5 acres S. E. ne qr of sw qr less 1 acre S. E. sec 26, tp 20, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$3.75; printers fee 125.

W. D. McGinnis—Lot 1 block 2, lot 1 block 53, known as the Christie lot, Helena, Ala. Tax and cost \$7.93; printers fee 73.

Geo. D. Reed—E half of ne qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$34.31; printers fee 63.

Jno. L. Goodson—Half interest in w half of ne qr and se qr of nw qr and se qr of ne qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 2 w; all nw qr of sw qr, sec 28, tp 20, r 2 w; se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 29, tp 20, r 2 w; ne qr of se qr and w half of se qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 33, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$10.74; printers fee 2.93.

Flurence Glyn, col.—NE qr of nw qr, sec 2, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$2.64; printers fee 63.

Terrill Coal Co.—N half of ne qr and w half of ne qr, sec 10, tp 19, r 2 w; ne qr of sw qr, sec 5, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of se qr and e half of sw qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 3 w; sw qr of sw qr and se qr of se qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 10, tp 20, r 3 w

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Write for free circular to Dr. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 381 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

The first electrical railway was that of Siemens, at Berlin, in 1879.

Use Allen's Foot-Ease.
It is the only cure for Swelling, Smarting, Tired, Aching, Hot, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. Cures while you walk. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Sample sent FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

British India now employs over 1,000,000 people in its cotton industries.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c. a bottle.

Of American animals the moose, elk and caribou are natural trotters.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure. Write for circular to Dr. J. W. Piso, 222 Third Avenue, N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

Ten-sevenths of the world's people are north of the equator.

Immense Circular Saw.

The largest circular saw in the world has just been made in Philadelphia. It is seven feet four inches in diameter, and will be used to cut pine stumps into shingle bolts.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and it is entirely closed. Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

No Milk While in Mourning.
When an Arabian woman is in mourning for a near relative she refuses to drink milk for a period of eight days, on the principle that the color of the liquid does not harmonize with her mental gloom.

Feet Hurt.
Sweat, itch, blister? ROYAL FOOT WASH cures them. Removes odors of feet, armpits, etc.; stops chafing. If not at druggists send 25c to EATON DRUG CO., Atlanta, Ga., for full size, postpaid; sample for 2c stamp. One application proves its merit. Money back if not satisfied.

FORBES' PIANO SALE -THE FITE STOCK- STILL GOING ON

Stock Constitutes the Biggest Purchase Ever Made by a Southern House and Contains

FINEST INSTRUMENTS
NOW ON THE MARKET

If You Wish a Piano, Organ or Music Box at a Low Figure and on the Most Reasonable Terms See or Write Us.

The E. E. Forbes Piano Co.'s sale of the Frank G. Fite stock continues, for it is no ordinary sale; it represents the biggest purchase of pianos made by any southern house, and as the instruments represent the very best makes of pianos the big cut in prices has been the result of making hundreds of homes happy that have long wished in vain for a piano, but had not until the present opportunity been able to purchase one on account of the high price. Any person in the south can buy one of these pianos and save \$100 after paying freight; besides that they can make the payment in an easy way, for they are only required to pay a small part down and the rest you pay next fall or next spring, after the crops have been turned into cash. Another thing about this piano sale is that every piano is plainly marked, so if there is a man in any part of the state that wants to buy a piano for a birthday or wedding present or as a gift for next Christmas he can send to us and buy just as well without seeing the piano, because every piano is marked and there's only one price to all.

There are also a number of organs and piano players in this sale, and we will be pleased to furnish any and all information or to explain anything about our long-time payment system, which is so easy to meet, and which so many people throughout Alabama and the other southern states are now availing themselves of.

E. E. FORBES PIANO CO.
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FARMERS' CORNER

Drinking Fountain.

To make a fountain, take a jar of about four or five gallons capacity, and with the aid of a small point of steel (say three cornered file broken off) and a hammer, make a hole about two inches from the top of jar (it should be an earthen one). The hole should be only about as large as a pea. The jar should be filled with water and covered with a pan, and the whole, by a quick motion, turned bottom side up. The hole in the jar or crock should be a little below the top of the basin. When the fowls drink out the water the hole is above the water line, and rushes the air through the hole and down drops the water in the jar, raising the water in the basin up to the hole and no further. They cannot fill up this fountain with dirt.

Game Fowls.

I am a game fowl specialist, and have been for years, having formerly tried many other breeds and found the games far more profitable. I have imported and bred all the leading strains of English, Cuban and American game fowls, and know from experience that a game hen is the best of layers—laying at all times, cold or hot. They are healthy hustlers and great foragers, making a living cold days, and laying where breeds with less pluck and go-ahead ability would freeze. A game hen will hatch and rear to maturity with less attention, a larger percent of chicks than any fowl living, which is most certainly profitable to the farmer. These chicks will mature to two-pound broilers as early as Brahmas or Rocks. Their flesh is sweet, juicy and tender, with a flavor like wild game. They dress away far less than any other fowl, being of fine grain and compactly built. Regarding the male, no more beautiful or graceful fowl ever crossed a lawn than a game cock in full plumage, and woe be to the hawk, dog or hog that dare assail one of his mates. It is a queer specimen of humanity, indeed, who does not admire the lordly game fowl.—Alfred Graham, in the Epitome.

Profit in Onions.

Onions seem to be a scarcer article than I have known them to be in many years, writes T. Greiner in Farm and Fireside. Those who have had their patch of Gibraltar or Prizetaker this year have found it not only as easy as any other year to raise the crop, but especially to sell their bulbs at a good price. Mr. Collingwood writes me that his onions went like the hot-test of hot cakes and that the "new onion culture" promises to be one of the most profitable departments of the farm.

My patch of onions grown from summer sown seed and intended for earliest green onions for spring sale appears to be in the very best condition for wintering. I have the White Portugal, White Queen or Baletta, Prizetaker, White Pearl and Brown Australian all showing off equally well at this writing.

Whether they will winter equally well is quite another question. If they do winter the crop will undoubtedly prove to be a very profitable one, perhaps one of the most profitable that could be grown in a garden.

Even if most of the plants take a notion to go to seed I can pull them up in time to be used as green onions, and with the stock of dry onions as low as I expect it will be next spring people will be more anxious to get green onions than ever before.

However, it is only these earliest green onions that pay so well. Later in the season they are usually very plentiful and are offered at prices which seem to leave but very little margin of profit for the grower.

Pruning Forest Trees.

It is possible that some of our readers desire to improve the timber plots on their farms, and will therefore be glad to have a few hints on the best method of pruning young forest trees. We copy the following from an article on the subject in the Indiana State Board of Forestry, just issued: "Pruning forests is not always right, but when it is done at an early stage of growth it is practicable. It will very materially aid to the best trunk formation. It is found to produce the best results if applied when the trees are from 12 to 14 years old and is not too heavily done. The limbs should be cut off smoothly and as closely to the body of the tree as it can be done not to tear or disturb the bark on the body. The limbs are removed as high up as the woodman can explain the work well with an ax or pruning knife. When the pruning is performed in this manner the cuts sooner heal over and no blemish is formed to injure the wood value when the tree is cut for saw timber. If the limbs are cut off at a short distance from the body, the snag left dies and rots down into the body of the tree and forms a permanent blemish to the wood.

"The best time to prune is from the last of June to the first of February. The sap will not exude from the cuts to attract insects, sprouts will not form at the junctures and the wood does not rot at the cut. If the pruning is done at the season of greater sap flow all the above points are reserved." This topic will be better explained under the report of the work done in timber culture on the State Forest Reservation the past year.

Ventilation and Dairy Barns.

Have you examined your roof boards and rafters where they have been alternately wet and dry from the animals below? If not, take a fork and prick into the wood and find out.

If there is no serious trouble yet, by all means, before the barn is filled with hay again, put in the King system of ventilation. Make the ceiling above perfectly tight, so that not the smallest current of air can circulate from stable to loft. Provide the

hay shutes, of whatever form, with coverings quickly closed, and put these at the floor or ceiling; otherwise they will be left open, and strong air currents will form, defeating the effort of the regular flow in its work of carving out moisture and foul air. Remember always that complete insulation of the stable is of first importance. No amount of skill in the construction will avail when the stable lacks the above quality.

When men talk or write about ventilation they do not mention anything but fine construction, which is the simplest and easiest part of barn ventilation. Have one dead air space, and for better two, in the wall, using matched lumber for the outside, inside and between, with a coat of building paper against each boarding. Make every door double, and the windows also; put in a cement floor and I will guarantee the King system to keep that barn as dry as your house living rooms, and this from experience.

I was examining today the loft of our barn, that has been built five years, and the shingle nails that prick through the roof boards have not rusted. The ventilating flues have carried out the moisture, and this last winter has been the most trying in my memory.

I speak of these things now, early in the season, before new barns are built and before hay is put in, so that in the old ones the flues may be built in the most convenient places. When most convenient to have them come down in the centre of the barn, if they are in the way during the feeding or cleaning out manure, build the flue permanently from the floor above and then build a smaller flue that will just pass inside the main flue, and have it hung with weights, so it can be quickly raised out of the way and lowered again at will.—H. E. Cook, in Tribune Farmer.

Horse Notes.

With many men fast driving is simply a bad habit.

Regular and proper grooming adds much to the value of a horse.

When a horse is excessively hot he should be cooled off gradually.

A horse with long legs and flat sides is not generally an easy keeper.

In intrinsic value, no road horse equals the easy, rapid, enduring walker.

Freedom, power to move easily along, is a great point in a young horse.

Well rounded ribs, deep flank, and short legs indicate good assimilating power.

Many cases of diseased feet are the result of leaving the shoes on too long.

The death of many horses is caused by the sudden change from old feed to new.

With growing colts, to give strength, elasticity and power, the right kind of food is indispensable.

High tempered, sensitive horses are more easily spoiled by too much talking than slow, quiet methods.

Do not buy a horse with a narrow or shallow chest. There is not sufficient capacity for the lungs.

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A Promising Young Diplomat.

There is a certain small boy, named Bertie, who lives on Green street not far from Twentieth, who will make a diplomat some day. He has a sister one year younger than he is. Last Christmas their grandmother gave them an aquarium containing two beautiful little goldfish. One morning Bertie went in to feed the goldfish, and he found only one fish instead of two. Sad to say, the other one had jumped out of the aquarium during the night and had died.

"Sister," Bertie announced at breakfast, as soon as they sat down to the table, "your goldfish is dead!"

The little girl was terribly shocked and forgot that most goldfishes are exactly alike and that she and her brother had never made a division. But after the period of mourning was over she asked one day:

"Bertie, how did you know it was my fish and not yours that died?"

Bertie was nonplussed for a moment and driven into a corner, so he took refuge in an air of superior contempt.

"How did I know?" he repeated scornfully. "Huh! Isn't that just like a woman!"

And the little sister meekly accepted her brother's decision.—Philadelphia Press.

Largest Photograph in the World.

At the recent Dresden exhibition of German Civic Life there was exhibited a photograph which is said to be the largest ever taken. This gigantic picture measures 39 feet 8 inches by 4 feet 11 inches. It represents the Bay of Naples and was taken from Castel San Marino, the highest point behind Naples, from which the eye commands the whole city and bay as far as Mount Vesuvius and Capri. In order to secure as extensive a panorama as possible, six different views on as many plates, measuring 8.1 inches by 10.5 inches were first taken. From these six plates, which were designed with a view of being connected to one another in a continuous series, six enlargements, 4 feet 11 inches by 6 feet 7 inches in size, were prepared by means of an apparatus with a lens one foot in diameter. The enlargements were made directly on silver bromide paper. The inherent difficulty of connecting the single plates so as avoid any break was overcome so successfully that it is practically impossible to detect the boundary line of the two plates.—Scientific American.

THE MUSIC OF JAPAN.

AN ART THAT IS NOT TAKEN SERIOUSLY BY ANYBODY.

The Japanese Gentleman Regards the Practice With a Sort of Amused Contempt—From Time Immemorial Considered a Profession for the Sightless.

If Japan's place in the scale of civilization were to be decided upon a consideration of her musical tastes and achievements, Europeans generally would certainly assign her a very low status. No doubt, she has made some little move in musical matters during the past few years, but it cannot be amounted to much. Fashions of all sorts are soon changed, and nowhere more speedily than in Nippon; but national tastes and real preferences are matters of very low growth, and whatever may be in vogue in musical Japan just now, we may be sure that every Japanese who could be induced to express his real opinion would say pretty much as one of their distinguished men said in reply to Dr. Muller's inquiry as to what he thought of western music. In his blandest and most polite manner, he said European music might please women and children, but that no Japanese gentleman could endure it.

A most amusing, unconscious revelation of the real appreciation has just been made public by Mme. Sherwin, who, in the course of her professional wanderings about the world, found herself in Tokio, where she gave a concert, attended by the court and aristocracy. The first part consisted of miscellaneous songs. It was received in chilling silence, which, of course, the performers felt very discouraging, but which they tried to persuade themselves must, no doubt, be the customary thing in Japanese court circles, and they went about to proceed with the second part of the program, consisting of operatic selections, when they were dismayed by a message from the court chamberlain, inquiring when the entertainment was to begin. The distinguished audience could not imagine that what had been done could be seriously intended as an entertainment, and were patiently awaiting the removal of the screens that had been placed at the sides of the stage for the exit of the artists. That amusing little incident is entirely in accordance with the opinion of the great man already quoted.

As a matter of fact, music never has been taken seriously by anybody in Japan. Until a recent period, performance on any wind of musical instrument, or the public singing of any kind of song, was thought to be altogether beneath the dignity of any man. There were plenty of trade and labor ditties that workmen would sing at their different occupations. The rice planters, the water carriers, the metal workers, the chair carriers, the sailors especially, had their own songs, but professional music was always left to the women, and this fact in itself shows how poor a place music must always have held in general estimation.

Japanese women, it must be remembered occupy with regard to the men that infinitely inferior position which oriental lords and masters generally assign to the female. And not only have professional musicians in Japan almost invariably been women, but they have usually been blind women and not infrequently women of more than dubious moral status. The Japanese gentleman, therefore, though he listens to native music with pleasure, and will have it performed as an interlude at his feasts, regards the practice of it with very much the same sort of contempt which Lord Chesterfield displayed when he advised his son never to play the fiddle himself. If he wanted music, let him engage a fiddler. The Japanese male until the last few years would never practice music in any form. The study of it would be altogether beneath him, and until quite recently if men were ever found playing instruments in Japan they were of the broken down, blind mendicant class. Apparently the only recorded instance of upper class male interest in anything musical was the production of the mournful little minor wail which serves for the Japanese national anthem. This is traditionally said to have been composed by an emperor, and the words written by his wife.

From time immemorial, in the Mikado's empire, music has been considered to be a profession for the sightless, and as it has always been left to the poorest of the women it need hardly be said that Japan has no musical literature, no harmony, only the crudest rudiments of notation. In the great temples they have music to performances for which something corresponding to our classic music has been elaborated, and for one or two of their most important instruments they have compositions specially set. These are said to be not altogether wanting in a certain weird, quaint, barbaric charm, and are very highly esteemed by the Japanese themselves. But the fact is they have no instruments capable of producing anything beyond the most trivial and unimposing music. Such instruments as they possess, both string and percussion, appear to have been introduced from China. In the course of centuries the fanciful ingenuity of the people has, to some extent, improved and developed many of them, but they are all essentially Chinese in their twang and tinkle and are quite unfitted for anything like orchestra performances, as we understand that, though they have orchestras in their theatres and temples, and since the Japanese have become a naval power, they have formed bands on board their men-o'-war. Their instruments may be said to consist of fiddles, guitars, citherns, flutes, bamboo pipes, drums and cymbals. One of the most important of their stringed instruments, the koto, has 13 silken strings, and a moveable bridge for every string. It is said to be one of the most difficult instruments in the world to play.

As to Japanese vocal music, the universal testimony is that it is even more rude and primitive than their instrumental. It is curious, but even birds do not sing much in Japan. There are a few that make a little noise, but the crow appears to be the commonest, and seems to be the leader of the feathered choir, which is perhaps sufficient to indicate the general character of the Japanese bird music. For the musical reputation of the people it would perhaps be better if singing were altogether left to the crows. Their best friends cannot say much for Japanese vocalists. The late Sir Edwin Arnold admitted that it was very difficult to give them much praise. "Though Japanese women have delightful voices," rendering their language always musical," he wrote, "the style of singing they adopt is forced, nasal and unattractive." Another who has traveled extensively among them says their voices are rough and strangely melodious; while another, writing of native music generally, both vocal and instrumental, says it is mere horrid noise, disfigured and excruciatingly quarter-tones. The popular instrument for vocal accompaniment is the samisen, a sort of guitar. One can hear its monotonous tinkling everywhere; but it is thin and meagre, the airs twanged out upon it or accompanied by it are always in a minor key, and always in common time, while as an accompaniment to the voice the instrument merely precedes or follows the voice in unison. The Japs have little or no idea of harmony and the supporting chords and embellishing appoggiaturas familiar to European ears appear to be quite unknown to them. They often hit on pretty plaintive, haunting wail out some of their instruments and are capable of effects peculiarly sweet and soft, while their drums and gongs are sometimes employed with very stirring force. But, as a whole, Japanese music is curiously thin and feeble, totally wanting in force and feeling, and, whatever passing fashion it may please this people to borrow from Europe or America, it is safe to say that before they can really enter into the enjoyment of western music, they must undergo a fundamental change of character.—London Globe.

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CONCEPTION OF ETHER.

New Theory Advanced by a Celebrated Russian Chemist.

The luminiferous ether, the all-pervading substance, whatever it may be, which transmits waves of light over the otherwise void space between the sun and the earth has generally been regarded as a highly elastic medium capable of transmitting vibrations at a high speed. A different theory has just been advanced by Prof. Mendeleeff, the celebrated Russian chemist, who in a recent essay suggests that the ether is a gas which, like helium or argon, is incapable of chemical combination. Says a writer in the Lancet, reviewing Mendeleeff's essay: "He recognizes, in spite of the enormous penetrative power of ether which enables it to pass through every envelope, that it must be impossible to determine experimentally its mass in a given amount of other substances; therefore he speaks not of the impossibility of weighing it. In short, his propositions are: (1) That the ether is the lightest ultimate gas and is endowed with a high penetrating power, which signifies that its particles have relatively to other gases, small weight, and extremely high velocity; and (2) that ether is a simple body or element incapable of entering into combination or reaction with other elements or compounds, although capable of penetrating their substance just as helium, argon, and their analogues are soluble in water and other liquids. He even proposes to place ether as an element in the periodic system at the top of the series of elements known as zero group (higher than hydrogen) which comprises helium, neon, krypton and xenon.

He thus regards ether as the lightest of all the elements, both in density and atomic weight, as the most mobile gas, as the element least prone to enter into combination with other atoms, and as an all-pervading and penetrating substance."

This new theory appears to have been suggested by the recent discoveries in radioactivity and by the author's unwillingness to accept the new ideas regarding the compound nature of atoms. The emanation from radium he looks upon as an actual stream of his gaseous ether which had accumulated in the substance, being attracted thither by its heavier atoms. In like manner the luminosity of the sun "may be due to its great mass being able to accumulate them in far larger quantities than the planets." These views are revolutionary, yet not more so than the generally accepted explanations of radioactivity, and the eminence of his propounder as a chemist will gain him an audience. That the division of atoms into electrons is an unscientific conception the writer firmly maintains, and he will continue to do so, he says, until "some demonstration of ordinary matter into ether, or the reverse, or else the transformation of one element into another."

"The Oldest London Kitchen."

Perhaps the oldest relic in London of a mediaeval kitchen is at Westminster abbey, though little remains to indicate it save the rubble flooring, the buttery hatch and an adjoining cellar, now the handsome dining hall of Canon Wilberforce. The monk who acted as kitchener of refectory had a responsibility as great as any hotel manager or chef in these days, for among his fellow monks, to say nothing of the pensioners, were critics as keen as any among the world-famed diners of today. Yet the abbey kitchen was scarcely more elaborate than any one of those which linger on in the remote cottages of the rough moors, where the entire cooking of the family is done on a flat hearth, with no other fuel than turf or peat or twigs. The "broth pot" hangs from a crane or stands on a tripod and is most accommodating in its uses. Would you make bread? Lay the dough on a clean iron plate and invert the broth pot over it, then heap up all round it your lighted turf or wood.—Windsor Magazine.

The pension issued last year was the largest in 10 years. The issue for the first quarter of the present year exceeds the same period last year by 25 percent.

A New York fly paper firm shipped two car loads of the commodity to Butte, Mont., where it will be used in copper mines to catch flies. The consignment comprised 1,100,000 sheets and cost a little over \$8,000. As each sheet—there are blanket sheets—will catch 5,000 flies, the total number trapped when the supply is used up will be about 5,500,000,000 insects—several tons of pests.

Up to ten years ago flies were unusual in the mines. They seemed to dislike the sulphur gases. Horses began to be used under ground, and with them came the flies.

They have become blind by long confinement in the dark subterranean passages.

It is estimated that 2,000,000 boxes of matches are used each day by the people of the United States, and that amounts to about five matches per person. In 1900, \$158,705 worth of matches were imported into this country, and \$95,422 worth exported from it. The lucifer match was invented in 1827. Safety matches were put upon the market in 1855. In Great Britain, Norway, Sweden and Germany the match-making industry has assumed enormous proportions. In France it is a government monopoly. In the United States it is controlled by a single corporation.

"Suit dismissed with costs for the plaintiff." was the verdict of the court in the suit which Kubelik, the violinist, brought against Dr. Gehrmann, the music critic of the Frankfurter Zeitung, for which the violinist deemed insulting personalities in criticisms of his concerts. Dr. Gehrmann described Kubelik as "a stupid looking man of superlative effeminine appearance" and spoke of him also as a "specialist and miracle worker who produces but tones."

"Uncle John" Butler was born in Lenawee county, Michigan, eighty-three years ago, and though he has continued to live in the same house, on the same spot, he has resided in the states of Michigan and Ohio, the counties of Lenawee, Lucas and Fulton, and the townships of Seneca, Gorham and Chesterfield, without ever having moved off his farm.

The head of Oliver Cromwell forms part of a private collection in England. The spear upon which it is impaled is still intact, although very rust eaten.

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Is the Ticket as Nominated by the Republican National Convention at Chicago Thursday.

AMID WILDEST ENTHUSIASM

Nominating Speeches Are Made—The Old Tattered Flag—Alabama Much in Evidence.

The republican national convention met at 10 o'clock this morning with the expectation of nominating candidates and adjourning in time for afternoon trains.

Black, of New York; Beveridge, of Indiana; Knight, of California; Edwards, of Georgia; Cotton, of Minnesota; Cummins, of Maryland; Dilliver, of Iowa, had been chosen to entertain, to stir feeling, to excite admiration and faith in the candidates they nominated or seconded.

Half an hour before the time set for the opening of the convention there were as many visitors in the galleries as witnessed the entire opening session of Tuesday. Not once since the opening of the convention have all the visitors' seats been filled.

Then following an announcement that the recently elected committee would meet in the Coliseum immediately on the adjournment of the convention.

Chairman Cannon at once announced that the next order of business would be a roll call of states for the nomination of president of the United States.

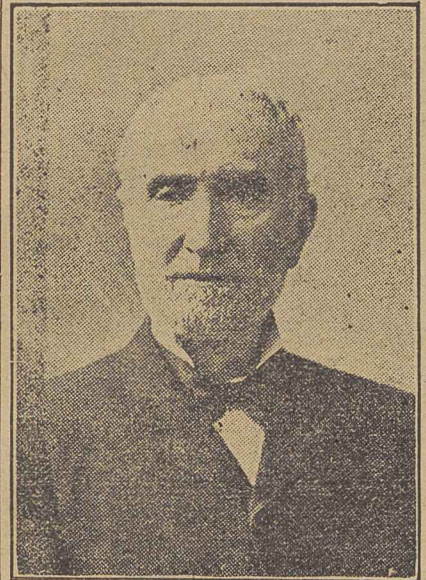
The clerk called "Alabama," and immediately Oscar R. Hundley, of that state, mounted a chair and announced that Alabama requested the honor and privilege of yielding its place on the roll to the state of New York.

Instantly the convention was in an uproar. The New York delegation was on its feet like one man waving their flags and shouting wildly. Ex-Governor Frank Black, of New York, who was to deliver the nominating speech in behalf of President Roosevelt, immediately started for the platform amid the wildest enthusiasm on the part of the delegates.

As Governor Black reached the desk of Chairman Cannon he was warmly

there was a shout. The convention was on its feet.

Chairman Cannon unfurled a tattered silk flag and advanced to the extreme edge of the platform and began to wave it. The flag is the property of the Lincoln-McKinley association of Missouri and it made its first appearance at a republican convention in 1860 when Lincoln was nominated. It was then carried by the Missouri delegation and was waved over the platform on that occasion as on this.



SPEAKER JOSEPH G. CANNON. Permanent Chairman of the Republican National Convention.

The front of the platform was next occupied by an immense crayon bust portrait of President Roosevelt.

The Indiana delegation sprung open umbrellas of red, white and blue bearing the portraits of Roosevelt and Fairbanks, the Alaskan eagles were held aloft and thousands of flags waved.

The New York delegation, occupying a place immediately in front, started out on a marching tour of the hall. The applause continued for twenty-five minutes.

When Chairman Cannon had secured order the secretary read a history of the flag which Mr. Cannon had been waving. Grasping the flag and waving it over his head Mr. Cannon said: "It prophesied victory in 1860; its life has been baptized on many a battlefield since, and it is safe in the hands of President Roosevelt."

Cheers followed and were increased when Mr. Cannon recognized Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, whom he introduced.

Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, seconded the nomination of Roosevelt and was followed by George A. Knight, of California; Harry Stillwell Edwards, of Georgia; ex-Gov. W. O. Bradley, of Kentucky; Joseph B. Cotton, of Minnesota; and Harry S. Cummings, a colored delegate from Maryland. Mr. Cannon introduced him as an "American citizen, whose people were brought from slavery forty years ago and who have made more progress in one generation than any race ever made."

Chairman Cannon then announced the roll call for nomination for president.

The clerk began calling the roll by states. When Alabama responded with her entire vote for Roosevelt there was a cheer.

Chairman Cannon announced at the

The first mention of Senator Fairbanks' name was the signal for cheers which were renewed when he formally presented the name of the Indiana senator.

When the applause subsided Mr. Cannon recognized Senator Depew, whose appearance on the platform with Chairman Cannon grasping his hand, was the inspiration for an outburst of applause.

"I introduce, although it is not necessary," began Mr. Cannon, "not Senator, but Chauncey Depew, of New York."

His speech was in seconding the nomination of Senator Fairbanks.

Seconding speeches were made by Senator Foraker, of Ohio; Governor Pennypacker, of Pennsylvania; and Senator Carter, of Montana.

The names of Representatives Hitt, George W. Webster and ex-Mayor Walbridge were withdrawn and Speaker Cannon declared Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indiana, the candidate of the republican party for vice president of the United States.

The convention adjourned sine die at 2:25 p. m.



ELIHU ROOT. Temporary Chairman.

A resolution was passed naming Joseph G. Cannon chairman of the committee to notify Theodore Roosevelt of his nomination on July 27th and Elihu Root chairman of the committee to notify Senator Fairbanks of his nomination for vice president on August 23d.

Senator Beveridge cast the vote of Indiana for Fairbanks for vice president, with the exception of Fairbanks' own vote.

Senators Depew, Collum and Spooner had their gold badges, worth about \$25, taken from their coats while in the crowds at the hotels, and four robberies of other delegates or visitors have been reported.

William J. Vickory, now in charge of the Chicago division of postoffice inspectors, was appointed chief post-office inspector to succeed William E. Cochran recently appointed to the newly created office of general purchasing agent of the postal service.

That the ill-fated steamer General Slocum had no life preservers aboard less than nine years old, was admitted by counsel of the Knickerbocker Steamship company at the inquest.

JAPAN NOT SELFISH

Will Ask Only Recognition as a Power Even if Port Arthur is Captured

RUSSIAN CRUISER SUNK.

Japanese Disable the Sevastopol Also and Block Attempt to Escape. Russia Charges Inhumanity

The Japanese government is reported to have resolved in case peace is restored to demand nothing else than what was mentioned in the government's note of December last; that even if Port Arthur is taken by Japanese to restore it to Russia, respecting the Russo-Chinese agreement and that Japan will regard Russia as economically predominant in Manchuria. Japan demands only that she be considered with the other great powers in the solution of Asiatic questions.

Admiral Togo reports that on Thursday his patrol boat discovered the battleship Peresviet and seven other vessels accompanied by nine torpedo boat destroyers near the entrance of Port Arthur. The admiral discovered that the Russian fleet, carrying six battleships, five cruisers and fourteen destroyers, evidently planned a dash southward by sundown.

The Russians stopped outside the entrance to the harbor and after night-fall a fleet of Japanese torpedo boat destroyers attacked the Russian ships and succeeded in torpedoing and sinking a battleship of the Peresviet type and disabling the battleship Sevastopol.

A cruiser of the Diana type was observed being towed into the harbor on Friday morning and it was evident she had sustained serious damage.

The Japanese legation received a dispatch from Tokyo announcing that a detachment of the Takushin army surprised and routed a squadron of Russian cavalry at dawn June 23d and also occupied the heights north thereof, expelling the Russians, who left sixty dead on the field.

An unnamed Russian general is quoted as declaring that General Kuropatkin is moving to meet General Kuroki, whom he will dispose of before General Oku arrives.

The army organ figures that the armies of General Oku and Kuroki when combined will consist of eleven and a half divisions, exclusive of cavalry and artillery.

Major General Mischenko, commander of the Eastern Cossack brigade, attacked the Japanese advance posts on the Sin Yen and Tatechekino road, and a sharp engagement resulted in which artillery was brought up and the Japanese forward movement was arrested.

A Russian correspondent with Major General Mischenko's division of Cossacks, which is opposing the junction of armies of General Kuroki and Oku, says: In the fight of June 23, the Cossacks were unable to remove seven wounded men and they were all slaughtered before the eyes of their comrades. The Japanese afterwards indulged in mutilations.

Rosotofu ferry boat while crossing the Khoper river, a tributary of the Don, sank with all on board. Sixty bodies have been recovered and sixteen persons are missing.

Fatally Injured.

Neil Cargell, a prominent citizen of Metcalf, Ga., received probably fatal wounds at the hands of two negroes named Murray. The trouble occurred at a negro church celebration. Cargell was struck on the head with a baseball bat and was shot three times. Both negroes were shot through the body, but will recover.

Changes in Cabinet.

The following cabinet appointments are announced: W. H. Moody, of Massachusetts, attorney general; Paul Morton, of Illinois, secretary of the navy; Victor H. Metcalf, of California, secretary of commerce and labor. The resignations of Secretary Cortelyou and Attorney General Knox have been accepted, to take effect July 1st.

Fire at the Fair.

Fire which threatened for a time to destroy many buildings at the world's fair consumed the house of Hoo-Hoo, rendering the building and all contents a total loss. So quickly did the flames spread after the fire started that the occupants of the building, five in number, all on the second floor, had difficulty in escaping with their lives and were compelled to climb down a tree to the ground. The loss on the building and contents is estimated at \$50,000, on which there is an insurance of \$20,000. In addition there is a loss of \$8,000 to the Union Baking Company, which had a catering concession in the building.

Boys' Fatal Fight.

Cleve McCurley and Charles Finley fell out at Dan Ellis' old mill near Elba and McCurley stabbed Finley in the abdomen, inflicting a wound from which he died. Both are young boys, sons of well known families.

Lord Roberts has promised to visit America some time during 1904.

In Cleveland Saturday \$300,000 worth of lumber was burned.

SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE MISSING.

But the Treaty With Abyssinia Has Gone On.

Mystery still surrounds the disappearance of Kent J. Loomis, brother of Assistant Secretary of State Loomis. Not a solitary clue as to his whereabouts has resulted after nearly a week's investigation.

He sailed for Europe having in his charge the new treaty with Abyssinia, and since his steamer touched at Plymouth he has not been seen.

At the request of Consul General Evans, the hospitals at Plymouth are being searched. Scotland Yard also has the matter in hand and the English papers, especially the local papers at Plymouth, continue to give prominence to the American's disappearance, so if Loomis is in England and in possession of his faculties he could scarcely fail to know he is being looked for.

The authorities here are quite unable to form a conjectural explanation of Loomis' disappearance. The theory that he fell overboard finds no support, as it is pointed out that it would be almost impossible for a small man to fall over the big deck rails, and particularly when the sea is practically, as it was in this case. One of Mr. Loomis' fellow passengers, a representative of the Associated Press, learned that W. H. Ellis and Loomis were constantly together, and were known as intimate friends. Mr. Ellis has gone on with the treaty.

COAL PRODUCTION.

Something About Its Increase in the South.

At the beginning of the last half of the nineteenth century only two states south of the Ohio river and Mason and Dixon's line mined coal to any great extent, Maryland and Virginia, the latter being the first state in this country in which bituminous coal had been mined. In 1903 the total output in the south by tons was as follows:

West Virginia	26,882,524
Alabama	11,700,753
Kentucky	7,150,000
Tennessee	750,000
Maryland	4,454,385
Virginia	3,500,000
Arkansas	3,000,000
Texas	800,000
Georgia	400,000
North Carolina	25,000
Total	62,662,662

In the fifty-two years, with a production of bituminous coal in the whole country rising from 2,600,000 tons to 2,973,000 tons, the production in the south had increased from 325,000 tons to 62,662,000 tons.

Mississippi Sunday School Association.

The Mississippi Interdenominational Sunday School Association has finished its annual convention and adjourned. Hon. Isaac D. Borders, the retiring president, declined to serve another term. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

A. Lotterhoss, Crystal Springs, president; J. P. Brown, Kosciusko, vice-president; E. A. Howell, Canton, secretary-treasurer; J. L. Ray, Wesson, chairman executive committee.

The association decided to employ a field secretary at a salary to be fixed by the executive committee, and who will devote his entire time to the work of organization in the various counties. Only two-thirds of the counties in the state have local organizations. The sum of \$500 was raised by the convention to begin the evangelistic work, and an appeal for subscriptions will be issued within the next few days.

Boom at Menlo, Ga.

The growing business of the town of Menlo, Ga., on the Chattanooga Southern above Gadsden, has resulted in the organization of a bank with a cash capital of \$25,000. Menlo is in the peach growing section. The city has set aside \$10,000 for an addition to the school house and the Baptist congregation will build a \$3,000 church at once.

JUDGE KYLE

May Go to Panama as One of Three Appointees.

President Roosevelt, it is understood has decided to offer a southern man and a democrat, Judge Osceola Kyle, of Decatur, Ala., one of the three judgeships on the Panama canal zone.

Tunnel Caved In.

Forty feet of the Southern railroad tunnel at Pine mountain, near Warm Springs, Ga., caved in, blocking the track. The cause of the cave in is a mystery, as no train was passing to jar the earth. Several weeks ago the woodwork in the tunnel burned, and in replacing it only the stoutest timbers were used, and the top of the tunnel was thoroughly cribbed. It is reported that an explosion was heard near the mountain about the time of the cave-in, and this has given rise to a theory that the tunnel was wrecked by some one maliciously disposed.

A Charmed Life.

John Hobbs, of near Talladega, seems endowed with many lives. He is just recovering from being gored and thrown over a fence by a bull. Before that his wagon was hit by a train and wrecked, knocking him unconscious and that was just after he went through a wagon bridge, wagon and all, and was badly hurt.

Dowie landed in New York Saturday.

BREVITIES BY WIRE.

The old Tusculum and Courtland railway was the third railway constructed in the United States. In 1833 the road was first begun and consisted of a piece of track laid from what was then known as Tusculum landing to the village of Tusculum, about four miles. It was built for the purpose of bringing to Tusculum the freight which was discharged by the boats at the landing mentioned and intended for Tusculum. This line was extended to Decatur.

In the office of N. K. White, law agent for the Southern railway for the Memphis division at Huntsville, is perhaps the oldest piece of office furniture in the state of Alabama. It is a director's table and was made for the old Tusculum and Courtland railway. The table is of walnut and ravages of time seem to have had no effect on it. It is of a semi-circular shape, with a place which seemed to have been cut out for the seat of the presiding officer.

Montgomery shows a great spurt along building lines, the amount of this business as shown by permits issued being \$385,555 from October 1, 1903. This is an increase over the entire twelve months ending October 1st of last year of \$41,616. The city is spending \$73,318 in building school houses. The United States is putting \$46,352 into an addition to the postoffice and an oil mill is taking up \$12,478.

The Butler-Kyser Oil company has awarded contracts for the erection of its buildings in Huntsville and expects to have them finished and all machinery installed by the opening of the cotton season. The company will have one of the largest cotton oil mills in north Alabama and in connection with the industry will operate a gin, soap factory and fertilizer works.

Miss Helen Keller, the gifted deaf, dumb and blind student at Radcliffe college, has broken down and is reported to be on the verge of nervous prostration. She began to fall two months ago and was ordered by her physician to abstain from college work. It is believed she will get a degree with the class of 1904 in spite of her inability to fill the requirements.

The steamer Wagon is unable to make her regular trips on the Coosa, as the river is the lowest known in years. A smaller boat is now making the trips. Leota, the government boat, with the dredge, will clean out the channel above Gadsden so the boats can be operated. Two more large boats are now under construction to ply the Coosa.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, has just celebrated his 80th birthday. The venerable senator is spending the summer at Bailey Springs, Ala. The junior senator from Alabama, Judge Pettus, will celebrate his 83d birthday anniversary on July 6th, the day the national democratic convention meets in St. Louis.

The extension of the Seaboard Air Line is making a new town in Calhoun county, some twelve miles east of Gadsden. The shortening of the route to Birmingham leaves Duke and Hebron off from the road some three miles and the people of these towns are moving to Wellington, the new town.

The safe in the private office of Emil Lesser, in the Metropolitan annex, Birmingham, was broken open and \$462.25 in cash was stolen. As yet no clue has been discovered which would lead to the arrest of any one.

Walter A. Humphrey, of Alabama, has been selected as a member of the board of control, beneficiary degree, of the Junior Order of American Mechanics. The next annual meeting will be held at Nashville, Tenn.

R. J. Jones and J. A. Woodward, tax collectors of Bibb and Talladega counties, respectively, have made settlement with the state auditor.

General William W. Brandon, adjutant general of the Alabama national guard, has been named a reading clerk of the national democratic convention which convenes at St. Louis July 6.

Ensley's rod mill is using the first steel billets turned out by the new steel plant of the Alabama Steel and Wire company.

The Birmingham Railway, Light and Power Company has filed notice with the secretary of state of an increase in its bonded debt from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

The Citizens' Light, Heat and Power Company of Montgomery has notified the secretary of state that it has increased its capital stock from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Business men of Clayton and Mt. Andrew are urging the Seaboard Air Line to extend its road from Union Springs through Mt. Andrew to Clayton.

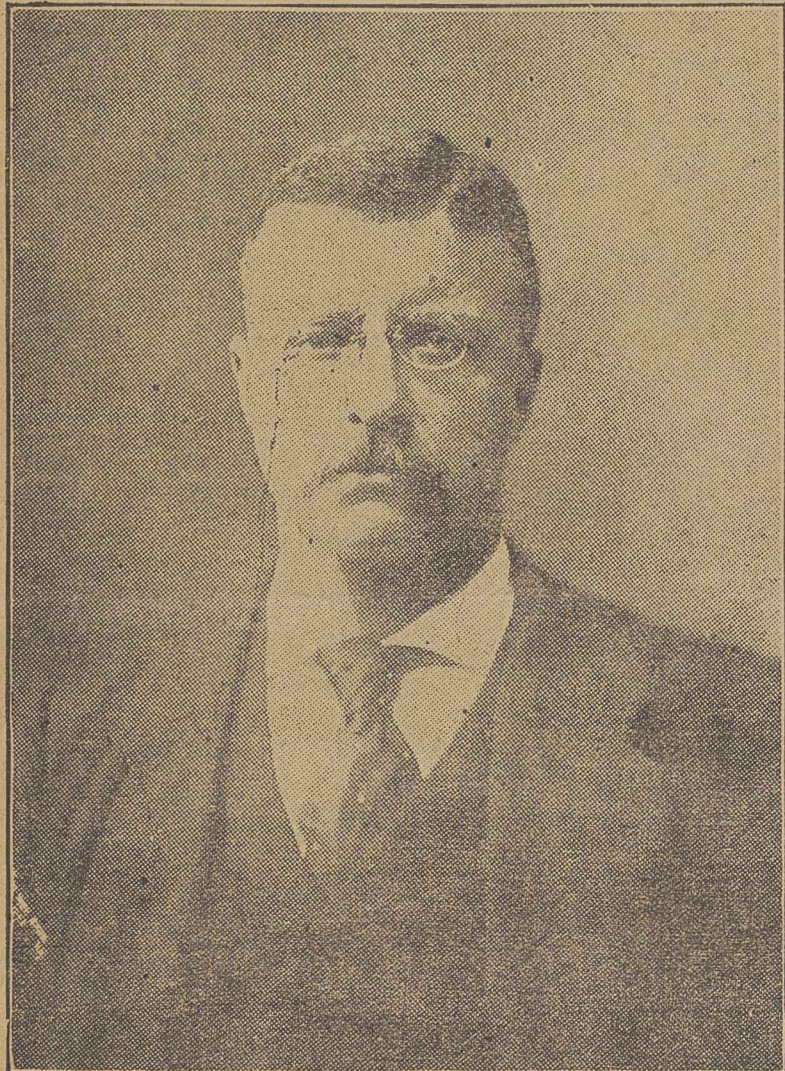
Rural free delivery service has been ordered established August 1st at Brockton, Taylor and Veto.

W. R. Barro has been appointed a member of the board of pension examiners of Perry county by Governor Cunningham.

Jefferson county voted 1544 majority for local taxation for schools and 43 majority for court house bond issue.

Lucien C. Brown has been elected captain of the Birmingham Rifles. The American yacht, Ingomar, won the race at Kiel, Germany.

George C. Arnolds has been appointed postmaster at Mizelle.



PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Republican Nominee for President of the United States.

A few moments before the assemblage there was a hurried conference by the managers which resulted in an agreement that Alabama, the first state on the roll, would yield to New York to nominate Roosevelt.

It was also agreed that Alabama, which was the first state to instruct for Fairbanks, would yield to Iowa to place the senator's name in nomination for the vice presidency.

Secretary Cortelyou arrived at 10 o'clock and was escorted to a seat on the platform. He received a very cordial greeting, the members of the national committee crowding around to shake his hand.

Cheers greeted the arrival of Chairman Cannon upon the stage and the band struck up the national hymn. This was the signal for the convention to rise, and the New York delegation was conspicuous, each of its members waving an American flag.

Senator Fairbanks did not attend the session of the convention.

It was exactly at 10:30 when Chairman Cannon called the convention to order. "The convention will be opened with prayer," he announced.

The Rev. Thaddeus A. Snively, rector of St. Chrysostom's church, was presented. At the conclusion of the prayer Chairman Cannon presented the following announcements through the reading clerk.

"On the sixth day of July at Jackson, Mich., there will be celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the birth of the republican party. (Applause.) The time and place where it received its name. Secretary Hay will deliver the principal address. Senator Fairbanks and others will address the meeting."

greeted by that gentleman and escorted to the front of the platform. Here Chairman Cannon introduced him to the convention. There was a succession of shouts from the convention and a chorus of shrieks from the New York delegation, a paroxysm of tossing flags, then silence and Mr. Black commenced his speech in behalf of President Roosevelt.

Governor Black pronounced the nominating words at just 11:06. As he did so he retired quickly from the platform. But the words "Theodore Roosevelt" had not left his lips when



SENATOR C. W. FAIRBANKS. Nominated by the Republicans for the Vice Presidency.

ALABAMA LEAGUERS

Will Provide Funds for a Church in Cuba.

The feature of the second day's conference of the Alabama Epworth League in Montgomery was the talk of Bishop W. A. Candler and the subscription of \$1,015 for the building of a church at Coral Gables, Cuba. This church is to be built by the Alabama leaguers.

It is understood that Paul Morton, of Nebraska and Chicago, vice president of the Santa Fe system, is shy about accepting the offer of the naval portfolio, and that the president will now try to induce him to take that of the department of commerce and labor. Representative Victor F. Metcalf, of California, who is slated for the latter position, would just as lief be secretary of the navy.

Major General Keesler, of Mississippi, will receive an order from Governor Vardaman for the summer encampment of the Mississippi national guard, to be held at Biloxi, beginning on August 15th.

The resignations of Lieutenant Colonel A. L. Chapman, of the Third regiment, Mississippi Infantry, and John N. Settle, second lieutenant of company B, Second regiment, have been received.

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COUNTY TICKET.

For Probate Judge:
A. P. LONGSHORE.

For Circuit Clerk:
JOHN R. DYKE.

For Tax Assessor:
JOHN S. PITTS.

For Tax Collector:
W. A. BRASHER.

For County Treasurer:
W. E. HARRISON.

For Supt. of Education:
J. O. DOROUGH.

For Commissioner 1st District:
J. E. DYKES.

For Commissioner 2nd District:
JAMES M. ALLEN.

For Commissioner 3rd District:
PLEASANT SHAW.

For Commissioner 4th District:
G. W. GREEN.

For Coroner:
J. F. ATCHISON.

From the Sentinel, you would think that the record of the Democratic party in this county was perfect. The Sentinel can only see one side of the question—and that is with its off eye.

"Anything to win," is the cry of the Populist-Republican leaders of the hyphenated ticket without a name.—Sentinel.

Carrie, you have adopted the above plan, but you see it won't work, and like the smart (?) fellow you are, you are trying to shift the key.

The Democratic party claims to be fair and just, and yet in 1892 a Democratic Probate Judge resigned his office and left Shelby county for more than two months without a Judge, in order to prevent the trial of contest cases filed in this court. Does the Sentinel endorse such actions?

The Democrats when they went into power in 1892 received \$6,326 from the Populist, in four years they turned back \$553.20 and left outstanding two warrants, one for industrial school of \$2,500, one for water works of \$1,700. Does that kind of financiering show that the county ought to be turned back to the Democrats?

If the Sentinel's informant had been so ignorant that he couldn't tell 1894 from 1896, that would not remedy the situation. In 1894 if there was a balance of \$13,955.75, we would ask the Sentinel what was done with it. In two years from 1894 to 1896 the \$13,955.75 was spent and nothing to show for. Does this show good financiering? The Democrats had a majority of the board.

The Sentinel says that upon investigation, so and so. The Advocate has been reliably informed that the Editor of the Sentinel has never been in the Probate Judge's office to investigate the records. We suppose the Editor of the Sentinel has investigated his informant. Carrie was it the same informant who informed you of the \$16,000 that informed you in the last instance. We are lead to believe that you are filling your columns on information and sometimes your informant gets you in a hole. Carrie it would be better for you to know what you are talking about.

The Sentinel says the mistake of his informant was in placing the balance which remained in the treasury in 1896, when a full Populist board was elected instead of 1894, when only two Populist commissioners were elected. If this is true it is still worse for the Democratic administration. In two years only, this amount of \$16,955.75 was spent and when they went out in 1895, there was only \$553.20 in the treasury and outstanding claims to the amount of from between three and five thousand dollars against the county. The Sentinel says there were only two Populist on the board. His own figures and words condemn his administration.

TAKES BACK WATER.

In the last issue of the Sentinel it attempts to sugar coat the people, and in a long, but puny plea tries to redeem itself in the eyes of the people for the willful misrepresentation of the affairs of the county, and in so doing has gotten itself deeper than ever in the mire.

In the issue of the Sentinel of March 17th, 1904, in an editorial attacking the present administration, among other charges, the Sentinel said these words:

"The \$16,000 that was in the county treasury when the Populist came into power is gone, and there is a debt on the county now of about \$15,000."

The records show that when the present administration came in power that there were only \$553.20 (as counted by the Grand Jury,) turned over to this administration, and that there were outstanding claims unpaid against the county to the amount of from between three and five thousand dollars or it may be more. The records further show that many of the jurors and other officers of the court at that term had to have their warrants discounted or hold them for several months until arrangements could be made by which they could get their just pay for their services rendered the county.

A prominent Democrat was heard to say that "he had a very feeling remembrance that the county was out of funds, as he danced to the tune of three indictments for buying these warrants, and he being an officer."

The truth is this, the Sentinel was at the time it penned the words above referred to, making a vile attack upon the present administration, it intended to try to prejudice the people, and the reference of last week to the information coming to the Sentinel during the Courthouse campaign is too thin, and the further statements that it was not located at the county seat, and were dependent largely upon information, only confirms the frequent charges of the Advocate, that the whole thing intended to mislead. And to try to get out of this muddle, the Sentinel goes away back and tries to get the minds of the people mixed up, and by so doing, get itself out of a hole and tries to make you believe that it was thinking of another balance (as it calls it,) and says that "just before they went into office, or on July 1st, 1894, the Treasurer's books show a balance of \$16,955.75, and this was evidently the balance which its informant had in mind when it gave the information to the Sentinel."

Ah! Carrie, this excuse won't do—there are many balances on the Treasurer's book, and you can't make the people believe that as smart a fellow as your informant was couldn't tell just what the books showed. The fact of the business is, your informant desired to tear down the present administration and through his well thought scheme took this opportunity to misinform the Sentinel purposely, and the people of this county can see plainly that your evil purpose has been punctured and that you have repented in "sack cloth and ashes," and your pitiful plea, that the "highest mission of true journalism to give cold facts and not mislead," does not redeem you in the face of the many willful malicious and false statements contained in your columns. And your plea that you do not want to saddle upon the Populist leaders and office holders, burdens other than those that belong to them, is not in keeping with your caliber and the party you represent.

From the county treasurer's report it seems that it cost the county \$1,169.50 to operate the two road plows for the six months previous to the first of last January. A nice little pension but rather expensive to the taxpayers.—Sentinel.

The Sentinel, we do not believe, expresses the will of many of its followers in the above, but it is only echoing the policies of the former administrations of the Democratic party. Let the roads and bridges be damned, so we swim and are elected back to office. If we are not elected well rob 'em of their offices—is not that it?

The Democratic party in Shelby county has robbed the people and disregarded their ideas in public affairs until it thinks the common people have no rights, but we are proud to say that day has passed. The citizens of Shelby county will show Carrie a "trick with a hole in it" in November.

The Sentinel says, "Through the Advocate they have called some of the most prominent and reputable citizens of Shelby county ballot box stuffers, thieves, rascals—men who would rob the people, deprive them of their rights and liberties, in fact, do anything but that which is just and right."

The Advocate challenges the Sentinel to show any issue of the Advocate where any man or citizen has been called a ballot box stuffer, etc., as the Sentinel charges above. But the Advocate has charged that the Democratic party is responsible for these things, and we think if the Sentinel knew the record of the Democratic party in this county it would be very mum on this question. But doubtless the Sentinel will undertake to make the people of this county believe that the Democratic party is clear of these things. Does the Sentinel say that in 1892 when certain men in this county were fairly elected by a majority vote of the rightful voter of this county, that they were not deprived of taking their offices by the manipulation of the Democratic party? Does the Sentinel have the audacity to say to the people of Shelby county that this is not true of the Democratic party, and does the Sentinel think that is a good record? It seems that this is the platform upon which the Sentinel is founded, and that it is ready at all times to defend such actions of its party and that it is willing to lose sight of all that is fair and just in order to get the Democratic party back in power. Carrie, this only shows to the people that you know nothing of the past record of the Democratic party in Shelby county, or that you don't care what its record is just so you accomplish your own selfish end. But we are inclined to think that after November you can go "away back and sit down."

Judge Longshore made the statement at Browning's Mill at a picnic held at that place, that Shelby county did not owe but \$1,000 on the 1st of April. A loan of \$8,000 from an Ensley banker was made this year prior to April 1st. Of that loan \$5,000 has already been used, and the remaining \$3,000, which the county is to receive July 1st, will, to use the language of one of the Commissioners, "last about thirty minutes"—Sentinel.

Judge Longshore stated the truth; arrangements had been made for a loan, but on April 1st, 1904, not a dollar had been received by Shelby county from the Ensley Banker; and the Sentinel could have found out the truth if it had desired to do so, by going to the county treasurer. Time and time again the Sentinel has tried to deceive the people on this question as well as all other questions which it thinks are calculated to be of interest to the people. Let the Sentinel have plenty of rope and it will hang its own self.

Will the Advocate explain why the people of Shelby county have been taxed for bridges in this county which have never been built—not even contracted for? And yet, the taxes collected for this purpose have evidently been used for something else as the bridge fund is virtually empty.—Sentinel.

As to the above, the citizens of the county have got too much intelligence to believe any such rot, but we would ask the Sentinel to explain why the Democratic party did never, during any of its administrations build any bridges. Doubtless the only interest the officers had at stake was that of their salaries.

The Democrats in Shelby county are on the run. Let them run, they will run out in November.

Summer Hill.

Rev. Busby filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Rev. Davis preached Sunday.

Harrison Holcombe, of Calera, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Robert Comer and sister, Miss Belle, were here Sunday.

The singing at B. T. Johnsons Sunday was a grand success.

Miss Mittie Nelson is visiting relatives and friends here.

The Shelby Springs ball team went down to Shelby last Friday afternoon and defeated that team by a score of 13 to 7. Hurah for the Shelby boys.

Frank Hill, of Birmingham, was slaking hands with his many friends here Sunday.

The protracted meeting at this place will commence the first Sunday in August.

There is some talk of a picnic at Shelby Springs the 4th, we haven't learned the particulars yet.

Mrs. Ludie Thomas, of Bell Ellen, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Comer, and Mr. and Mrs. Jazan, of Shelby Springs, attended services here Sunday.

Dave Hardymen and Miss Mittie Nelson were in our midst Sunday.

Miss Emma Phillips visited here Sunday.

DECLINED.

The Sentinel says: "The Democrats all over the county were opposed to a joint canvass," and tries to make it appear in the very same article that the Populist just had to be pulled into the discussion, and with reference to it, says: "The Populist-Republican leaders who showed now plainly that they did not desire a joint discussion and wanted to bust the whole thing still insisted upon having the right to make speeches between now and the first of August." And the Sentinel further says: "The Democrats came to their terms—gave them everything demanded." In the above quotations from the Sentinel you can see the spirit of the little sheet, and like in many other things, see its willingness to misrepresent the facts. It is well known to the people at large, and is better known to the Sentinel than any one, that the Populist have used all fair means to get a joint canvass. As to the Democrats opposing a joint canvass, that has been shown plainly that the bosses have tried to evade it on every occasion, but we have been informed that some of the Democrats did not oppose the joint canvass, but signed the petitions with a view of getting at the facts.

Below we print the correspondence with reference to joint discussion at K. Springs, Friday, July 8th, which will show which way the "cat is hopping."

To W. B. Browne, Chairman:

You are hereby notified that there will be public speaking at K. Springs on Friday, the 8th day of July, 1904, and you are requested to have present the various Democratic candidates to address the voters on said occasion in joint discussion on the political issues of the day. Respectfully,
R. F. COX,
Chairman.

Columbiana, Ala., June 28, 1904.

To R. F. Cox, Chairman:

Dear Sir:—In reply to your favor of the 25th inst., requesting me to send the Democratic candidates to meet the candidates on the Populist-Republican ticket in joint discussion at K. Springs on Friday, July 8th, I will state that in view of the regular joint discussion which will be entered upon on August 1st and continue to November 7th, which will give ample time and opportunity for speaking at K. Springs, and in every beat in the county. Your request is respectfully declined. The Democratic candidates will take pleasure in meeting your candidates at K. Springs at any date after August 1st, that the committee may fix. Respectfully,
W. B. BROWNE,
Chairman.

Jackson's Mill.

Oscar E. Walton, of Weldon, transacted business here Friday last.

Will Miller and family have moved to Jackson and Tinney's mill near Cobb.

Mrs. Bill Adams and children, of Calera, visited relatives here the latter part of last week.

Mex L. Sharbutt transacted business at Vincent Friday last.

Rinnie Blankenship was a Wilsonville visitor Saturday.

Quite a crowd attended the singing at Mt. Tabor Sunday and reported a nice time.

Hiram Weathers and family, of Ark, have moved to our community.

D. W. Sharbutt, I. C. Shrader, W. A. Hammond, J. A. Blankenship and son all attended the lodge at Vincent Thursday.

Mex L. Sharbutt spent Saturday and Sunday at Weldon with friends.

J. A. Blankenship and wife went down to Wilsonville Friday shopping.

An Inspector from Washington, D. C., and E. Williams, of Vincent, were in our community last week inspecting an R. F. D. route.

WILD BILL.

NOTE—The communication from the above place intended for last week did not reach us until Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and we was not to blame for the correspondence not being published in our last issue. Editor.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the firm heretofore known as J. H. Mason & Co., composed of J. H. Mason and W. P. Hammer, which was engaged in carrying on a general Drug business in the town of Columbiana, was dissolved on June 14th 1904, by mutual consent. J. H. Mason assuming all the liabilities of said firm.

J. H. MASON.
W. P. HAMMER.

June 20th 1904.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents money back if not cured. Sold by Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

Weldon Items.

W. J. Sowell went to town Monday. Clem Roper has resigned his position with W. T. Ray as log hauler, and has accepted a position with Eck Henderson.

We learn that D. M. Wallace has sold out his shingle mill.

P. J. Henderson transacted business in Columbiana Tuesday.

Mrs. Mattie Sewell, who has been visiting her parents for the past few days, returned to her home here Wednesday.

Rev. J. E. Sampley transacted business in Wilsonville Wednesday.

There are several cases of mumps here.

Leyl Sampley, who has been visiting his brother here, returned to his home in Centra Florida Wednesday.

Mrs. Venie Sampley will begin a Literary school at Union the first Monday in July.

The road plow is in our community this week.

Mex Sharbutt, of Harpersville, was here Saturday getting a recommendation to be Rural carrier on the route soon to be established from Vincent.

Rev. A. C. Messer preached a very interesting sermon at Mt. Tabor Sunday.

We are glad to state that Miss Laura Spearman, who has been sick for the past week, is improving.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Moore is ill at this writing.

Tom Nixens has resigned his position with Seab Sewell to accept a position as mail carrier from Coalville.

We learn there is to be a bridge built across Yellow Leaf creek on the new road running by Will Epperson's.

I will close for this time and try to come again next week. SAGER BOY.

For sick headache take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Williams Bros.

Calvary.

Rev. Hamilton filled his regular appointment at Mt. Chapel Sunday.

J. B. Farrell visited homefolks Saturday night and Sunday.

Dennis Minor was the happy escort of Miss Bennett Sunday.

Henry Farr and family visited relatives and friends here Saturday and Sunday.

R. W. Evans was the guest of Miss Janie Minor Sunday.

Prof. J. W. Stone went to Columbiana Saturday and purchased him a new buggy.

C. P. Minor went to Columbiana on business Saturday last.

Prof. Henry Gilbert attended divine service at Mt. Chapel Sunday.

J. O. Thomas transacted business in Calera Saturday.

H. C. Farrell went to Columbiana on business Saturday.

The singing at Miss Ferrell's was quite a success Saturday night.

Elbert Armstrong and James Luquire were the happy escorts of the Misses Holcomb's Sunday afternoon.

Jno. Luquire, of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting friends here.

Prof. Thomas Farr and W. E. Minor rode on the fast mail to Saginaw Saturday and report a nice time.

We learn that sister Mitchell will start her meeting at East Saginaw next Friday and will run until Sunday night. Everybody go and hear the good woman.

UNCLE SAM.

CHAMBERLAIN'S STOMACH AND LIVER TABLETS BETTER THAN A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION.

Mr. J. W. Turner, of Trubart, Va., says that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done him more good than anything he could get from the doctor. If any physician in this country was able to compound a medicine that would produce such gratifying results in cases of stomach troubles, biliousness or constipation, his whole time would be used in preparing such a medicine. For sale by Williams Bros.

Coalville.

We had a nice little rain last Friday afternoon.

Mr. Hubbard, a peddler from near Birmingham, passed through this community last week.

Earnest and Gurnee Brasher went to Columbiana last week.

Mr. Smith, a picture man from Wilsonville, passed through this community last week.

W. P. Gilbert went to Columbiana last Thursday.

Walter Kendrick went to Leeds last Saturday on special business.

Charlie Blackerby has the contract to build the new bridge across Yellow Leaf creek near Liberty church.

Mrs. J. S. Farrell visited the family of W. P. Gilbert last Friday.

W. H. Gilbert went to Mt. Chapel last Sunday.

Misses Clara Moore and Flora Kendrick visited the family of Mrs. S. T. Tidmore last Saturday night.

Jim Luquire went over to T. B. Holcombs last Sunday.

Elbert Armstrong went to L. R. Kendrick's Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Grimes preached at the Florence school house last Sunday.

News is scarce this week, so I will ring off.

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION.

Living at an out of the way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Buck's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c. at Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co.

W. B. BROWNE,
President.

W. L. FARLEY,
Cashier.

COLUMBIANA SAVINGS BANK.

Statement of Condition January 1, 1904.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts. \$ 16,782.77	Capital Stock. \$15,000.00
Bank building, fixtures. 7,000.00	Deposits. 52,639.61
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I, W. L. FARLEY, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. FARLEY, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this Jan. 1st, 1904.

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All 50 cent preparations at 40 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason.

A woman is so queer she can guess wrong and yet hit it right.

Estray Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the following described estray was taken up by J. B. Harmon on the 11th day of June, 1904, and valued by appraisers at \$40.00, to-wit: One dark bay mare, with white nose, about 14 hands high, with hole in left ear about as large as a half dollar with hole torn out at one edge, shod all around and about 16 years old.

The proceedings were had before Jas. L. Harmon, Justice of the Peace, Bamford, Ala.

Given under my hand, this June 20th, 1904.

A. P. LONGSHORE,
Judge of Probate Shelby County.

Estray Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the following described estray was taken up by J. B. Allen on the 8th day of June, 1904, and valued by appraisers at \$20.00, to-wit: One small mouse colored horse, about 15 years old, and about 14 hands high, white mouth, that is all the marks about him.

The proceedings were had before James M. Allen, Justice of the Peace, Quito, Ala.

Given under my hand, this June 20th, 1904.

A. P. LONGSHORE,
Judge of Probate Shelby County.

Iron Gray John.

His services can be had from June 15th until August 15th, 1904, for \$5.00. Kind and easily managed; heavy weight. Will stand him on the Adkinson farm.

W. A. STONE.

Could Not Be Better.

I find after selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for some time it is no use to change off for another. We don't see how it could be any better. I will try to keep it in stock all the time.

C. W. BRADY,
Gale, Ind.

Social and Local News.

C. B. Duran was in the city Friday on business.

W. J. Sewell, of Weldon, was in the city Monday.

Prof. J. M. Dye, of Lynch, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. B. L. Moore is having her residence recovered.

Next Monday is legal holiday, being the 4th of July.

Wales Wallace spent Monday up at Klein with homefolks.

Mrs. T. P. Lane is spending a few weeks at Shelby Springs.

Bob Glenn, of Shelby, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

R. J. Griffin, of Helena, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

Prof. Spright Dowell spent a few hours in Birmingham Monday.

J. H. Grimes, of Vincent, spent Friday in the city with friends.

Richard F. and J. C. Johnson, of Quito, were in town Saturday.

L. R. Kendrick, of beat 8, was in the city Friday and Saturday.

W. A. Parker spent last Thursday in Birmingham on business.

The Commissioner's court will meet in regular session next Tuesday.

Commissioner's court was in extra session Friday and Saturday last.

Ose Bird spent Saturday and Sunday in Birmingham with relatives.

Miss Willie Rhodes is visiting relatives in Montevallo for a few days.

Circuit Clerk J. P. Pearson spent last Thursday and Friday in Birmingham.

Mrs. A. H. Weaver returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Maylene.

R. T. Johnson and daughter, of Shelby Springs, were in the city Saturday.

J. S. Falkner, of Vincent, spent a part of Thursday and Friday here with friends.

Pleasant Shaw, of Aldrich, was in town Saturday attending Commissioner's court.

George Mansfield, of Birmingham, spent Thursday in the city with his family.

Mrs. Charlie Brooks and children visited relatives in Calera Friday and Saturday.

Misses Bertie and Johnnie Barnett visited friends at Thorshy Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Majorie Sayce, of Montgomery, is visiting the family of Mayor W. B. Browne.

R. B. Posey, of Harpersville, attended Commissioner's court here Friday and Saturday.

Miss Eldyce Camp, of Talladega, visited the family of T. J. Weaver last week and this.

There was quite a crowd in town Saturday, and all our merchants report a good business.

W. H. Kirkley, of beat 9, brought to town Friday the first cotton bloom we have seen this year.

Mrs. J. S. Thompson and Mrs. D. W. Catter, of near Harpersville, visited relatives here last week.

Misses Margaret and Myra Browne returned last week from a visit to relatives in Montgomery.

Mrs. C. T. Acker and children returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Birmingham and Helena.

Mrs. T. H. Watersworth, who has been quite sick for some time, we are glad to state, is improving rapidly.

Misses Lallie Tice and Ina Sinfon spent a few days in Oxford and Anniston this week with friends.

Mrs. W. F. Davis and Miss Mae Quigley visited relatives and friends in Montevallo Thursday and Friday.

Miss Mae Quigley, who has been in the city for several months, returned to her home in Louisville, Ky., Monday.

Mrs. George Bird, who has been visiting the family of H. W. Nelson, returned to her home in Birmingham Saturday.

Miss Sallie Wells, of Saginaw, and Miss Marie Redding, of Longview, spent a few days in the city this week with friends.

The ice cream supper given by the ball boys at the White House Friday night was a success, and enjoyed by all who attended.

There is going to be two Rural Free Delivery routes established out of this place at an early date. One of the routes will go through the Kingdom neighborhood and the other will go up through the Fourmile community and back around by beat 8.

Miss Lena Cox has been on the sick list this week.

Eddie Barnett is visiting relatives in Birmingham.

E. P. Quigley, of Birmingham, was in the city Tuesday.

I. W. Bailey and wife, of Calera, are visiting relatives in the city.

W. G. Parker was in Anniston Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

D. R. Ray, of Weldon, is in the city attending the meeting of the Masons.

Quite a number of our people attended the ball game in Calera Monday.

Horace Hammond, of Birmingham, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Miss Rosina Dowell, of Carthage, N. C., is visiting her brother, Prof. S. Dowell.

Henry Latham has resigned his position with the Columbiana Mercantile Company.

Mrs. W. J. Florey, of Vincent, visited the family of J. S. Pitts a few days this week.

There are quite a number of Masons in the city attending the Masonic Conference.

Judge J. L. Vandiver, of Vandiver, was in the city Monday and Tuesday on business.

Miss Jessie Vann, of Collinsville, Ala., is in the city, the guest of Miss Rosie Christian.

B. J. Holcombe and two daughters, Misses Mattie and Alma, of Calera are visiting in the city.

Charlie Brooks, of Birmingham, spent a part of Monday and Tuesday in the city with his family.

Mrs. Nellie Cobb, of Birmingham, attended the funeral of Little Eva Thompson here Sunday.

Master John Strickland, who has been working over at Pelham for some time, returned home Monday.

The three Sunday schools of this place will have a picnic at Shelby Springs on next Tuesday, July 5th.

Miss Jamie Wallace, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to her home at Klein Saturday.

Miss Mattie Hand, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to home at Jemison Wednesday.

The Columbiana ball team went down to Calera Monday afternoon and defeated that team by a score of 9 to 6.

Willie Thompson, after spending several days with relatives in the city, returned to his home at Brookside Monday.

Miss Ida Hall, who has been attending school in New Orleans, La., returned home Thursday to spend the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hall.

We have an article from Bamford that will be published in our next issue; also one from Shelby Springs that will be published, and the Vandiver correspondent was crowded out.

There will be a Grand Rally at Sterrett July 4, 1904. Good speakers will address the citizens on the Declaration of Independence and other topics, and a good time is expected.

H. E. Whitaker and wife left Tuesday for Bessemer, where they will attend the regular meeting of the Alabama Press Association, and will go from there to St. Louis to the World's Fair.

Rev. J. S. Chadwick, of Jasper, preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday at 11 A. M. filling the regular appointment of Rev. G. T. Harris. There was no preaching Sunday night.

Little Eva Thompson, the ten-year old daughter of Mrs. Appleman, nee Mrs. A. P. Thompson, died at the home of her mother in this city last Saturday night and was buried in the city cemetery here Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Little Eva was a favorite with every one who knew her. She was a bright intelligent sweet little girl, and she was loved by her playmates and school mates. She had suffered for several months with the dreaded disease, consumption, and bore her afflictions with great fortitude and cheerfulness. The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. G. T. Harris. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family and relatives.

THROWN FROM A WAGON.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely injured. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment. For sale by Williams Bros.

NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

I will pay the following price for cross cuts:

27 cents for pine ties and 30 cents for oak, and will take them up once a week, between Columbiana and Calera, and will pay the cash once a week. Ties to be 7 x 9, 8 1/2 feet long.

M. H. B. JONES.

Sunday School Association.

The Sunday School Association of Beats 8 and 11 will meet at Union church on the third Sunday in July at 9 o'clock A. M. The following is the program:

9:00 A. M. Sunday School. 10:00 A. M. Devotional Exercises—T. A. Blackberry.

Enrollment of Delegates. Election of Officers.

Written Reports from each School. Paper—Miss Augusta Farrell.

11:00 A. M. Preaching—Rev. J. E. Sampley.

Adjournment for Dinner.

1:30 P. M. Address to the Children—Henry Milner.

Is it right to send children to Sunday School?—J. W. Moore, J. E. Adams and J. C. Harper.

How to prepare the lesson—Mrs. J. E. Sampley, W. E. Lester and C. W. Walton.

What should be the main object in Sunday school work—W. O. Grant, W. G. Brown and A. C. Messer.

Youthful reflections—J. B. Farrell. Child study in its relation to character building—Spright Dowell and Robert Jones.

Every Sunday school in the Association are requested to attend this meeting. All interested are invited.

W. E. LESTER, President. J. C. HARPER, Secretary.

Killed By a Falling Tree.

Mr. Phillip Ellerson, while out coon hunting a few days ago, was instantly killed by a falling tree.

It seems that Mr. Ellerson misjudged the danger line and failed to give back and was killed by a falling limb. Hosea Pearson, Esq., was summoned for the purpose of inquisition, who after repairing to the scene of the killing and the examination of several witnesses dismissed the proceedings, there being no evidence tending to show that the killing was otherwise than purely accidental. Mr. Ellerson was a quiet unassuming citizen who commands the love and respect of all who knew him. He leaves a large family to mourn his sudden departure. His remains were interred at Cornith cemetery in Chillicothe county on the 20th.

HOSEA PEARSON.

Look and Listen.

The Board of trustees elected in the various districts next Saturday will organize by electing one of their number Chairman, and one Secretary of the Board. Notice of such organization must be given to the County Supt. of Education, after which said chairman will be furnished with blanks upon which to make the enumeration of children.

JNO. B. FARRELL, Supt. of Education.

All 25 cent packages of Liver-powders, black draught and etc., 15 cents at Drug store of J. H. Mason.

State Examination.

All persons wishing to take the State Examination for license to teach, are hereby called to meet the Board in Columbiana Monday July 4th 1904. Said Examination will be held in the College building and in conformity to the law the doors will be closed at 10 o'clock A. M. You may deposit your unexpired certificates, take the additional branches and get a higher grade license.

JNO. B. FARRELL, Supt. of Education.

Cedar Grove.

Dr. Shaghter filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

We are glad to state that our Sunday school is improving, several new members have been added to the roll.

The farmers are smiling from ear to ear now as crops are looking fine since the rain.

Bill Lacy, of Maylene, called on friends here Sunday.

Misses Daisy Davis and Julia Griffin were the guests of Misses Ida and Maud Griffin one day last week.

Guss McBride was looking a little disappointed Sunday.

East Saginaw.

Uncle Ted Archer is able to be up again from a sickness of three weeks. Mrs. Robt. Nolen is on the sick list at this writing.

There will be a Holiness meeting here commencing Friday night, and continuing all Sunday night.

Miss Dovie Satterwhite, of Montevallo, who has been visiting the family of W. G. Brown, returned home Monday.

John T. Barnett and Hudson, of Columbiana, were here Sunday to see the coal mines near here. The singing at Mrs. Jim Farrells Saturday night was a grand success they say.

Miss Minnie Brown, of near Goodwater, is visiting her uncle, W. G. Brown.

Jno. Luquire, of Ronoke, Ga., was seen in our community Saturday.

Several of our young people attended services at Mt. Chapel Sunday and reported a nice sermon was heard.

We learn there will be a picnic among the young people Saturday 9th, and all meet at Coalville and go to the big narrows.

A BROTHER.

At the request of quite a number of citizens, I hereby announce that there will be public speaking on the political issues of the day at K. Springs on July 8, 1904, at 10:30 A. M. Interesting speakers will be present and will address the citizens. Every one regardless of political faith is cordially invited to be present, and especially the ladies.

R. F. Cox, Chairman.

Walter Porter, of beat 9, was in town Monday.

W. M. Connell, of beat 2, was in town Saturday.

Maylene Items.

We are having nice rains just now that was badly needed.

J. E. Wooten, of near Montevallo, visited our town one day last week.

The mines only run four days last week.

Geo. F. Peter and wife have returned from St. Louis, where they attended the World's Fair.

J. H. Hunt is sawing some fine lumber just now for shipment.

The Gurnee and Maylene ball teams played two games Saturday at this place. First game 11 to 13 in favor of Gurnee. Second, 16 to 4 in favor of Maylene. Quite a crowd came from Gurnee and Dogwood to witness the games.

Miss Annie Sharp, of Pratt City, is visiting Miss Belle Shoemaker here.

Claud Lucus and family, of Gurnsey, visited in Maylene Sunday.

Miss Minnie Fulton, of Ganadique, is visiting the family of W. H. Rencau this week.

Miss Era Ozley, of Bessemer, is visiting her sister, Mrs. West.

S. L. Bell, of Helena, was a visitor to our town Saturday.

Some of our young people went over to Siluria last Sunday to take a look at the new cotton factory.

Miss Media Walker, of Helena, visited her aunt, Mrs. M. L. Wooten, here last Sunday.

Harris Fulton, of Ganadique, visited Mr. Zroiderhook's family here last Sunday.

W. H. Rencau and daughter went over to Tuscaloosa last Sunday.

Rex.

Dargin.

Everything looks better since the rain.

Sheriff Cox and Deputy Norris were in our town one day last week.

B. F. Harless and family visited up on Campbranch Sunday.

M. A. Evans went to Birmingham Sunday.

F. M. McEwen, of Fourmile, was in our town Friday.

Our Literary school has vacated until the 5th of July.

Prof. W. S. McEwen went home Saturday to spend his vacation.

A. C. Leonard and wife visited relatives on Campbranch one day last week.

J. M. Baker's baby has been quite sick for the last few days, we hope for it a speedy recovery.

J. E. O'Barr has moved to Oxmoor, where he has a position with the L. & N.

C. H. O'Neal is having his sawmill rebuilt and is progressing nicely with the work of his machinery in place and will be ready for business in a short while.

What is the matter with our Sunday school? Let's all come out and if the present Supt. wont come, appoint another one and let the good work go on, we need a hustling Supt. and we could have a good large Sunday school.

Hurrah! for beat 19, that's right brother give it to them this is the last throw of the dice for the Sentinel and they are using all kinds of dirty means to make their point but they are going to "crap out."

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TRIUMPH OF MODERN SURGERY.

Wonderful things are done for the human body in surgery. Organs are taken out and scraped and polished and put back, or they may be removed entirely; bones are spliced; pipes take the place of diseased sections of veins; antiseptic dressings are applied to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, which causes them to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the old treatment. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering which such injuries entail. For sale by Williams Bros.

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Nelson.

A large number of young people from Nelson went to Rocky Ridge Sunday and reported a nice time.

John Simmons, of Birmingham, is visiting his uncle, J. A. McGiboney here.

Miss Birtha Crowson and Hattie Cost attended preaching at Fourmile Sunday.

Clide Nelson and Walter Baldin made a flying trip to Shelby Springs Sunday.

Elmer McGiboney was the guest of Miss Lelia Baldwin Sunday.

Hello Tom, dont never give up the ghost for there will be another time some day.

UNCLE NED.

All Dollar preparations 80 cents at J. H. Mason's Drug store.

STARTLING EVIDENCE.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Centerville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Williams Bros. and J. W. Bandy Drug Co. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

Notice to Delinquent Taxpayers.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. To whom it may concern:

Take notice that the Tax Collector has filled in my office a list of delinquent Tax Payers and of real estate upon which taxes are due and thereon reported as assessed to you the following real estate and to "Owner Unknown," to-wit:

BEAT 1.

A. Culverston—Lots 8 and 10, block 33, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$1274; printers fee 45.

Robert Davis, col—NW qr of nw qr and W half of sw qr of nw qr, sec 24, tp 21, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$264; printers fee 98.

Alta McKay—Lot 4, block 97, lot 10, block 36, lot 22, block 116, lot 26, block 113, Shelby, Ala. Tax and cost \$255; printers fee 82.

W. J. D. Williams—NW qr of nw qr, sec 8, tp 18, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$154; printers fee 63.

D. S. and W. T. Brooks—NE qr of sw qr, less 15 acres off south end, sec 24, tp 17, r 1 east. Tax and cost \$184; printers fee 88.

Dr. E. A. Mathews—SE qr of sw qr, sec 14, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$150; printers fee 63.

Mrs. C. J. Welch—Half acre lot and cottage thereon, between public road and railroad track in nw qr, sec 7, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$693; printers fee 103.

Thos. A. Ryan, estate—NE qr, of sec 8, tp 18, r 1 e. Tax and cost \$337; printers fee 63.

Beate Wilby—One vacant lot in Columbiana, Ala., 22 feet square bounded on the north by property of L. M. Dyke and east and west by the Dyke property. Tax and cost \$248; printers fee 102.

J. W. McCarty—S half of sw qr and S half of sw qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 24, tp 18, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$629; printers fee 102.

H. McGill—Southwest quarter of southwest quarter, less 5 acres S. H. ne qr of sw qr less 1 acre S. R. sec 26, tp 20, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$37; printers fee 123.

W. D. McGinnis—Lot 1 block 2, lot 1 block 5; known as the Christie lot, Helena, Ala. Tax and cost \$769; printers fee 74.

Geo. D. Reed—E half of ne qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$343; printers fee 63.

Jno. L. Goodson—Half interest in W half of ne qr and se qr of nw qr and se qr of ne qr, sec 20, r 2 w; all nw qr of ne qr, sec 28, tp 20, r 2 w; se qr of ne qr and ne qr of se qr, sec 20, tp 20, r 2 w; ne qr of se qr and W half of se qr and ne qr of sw qr, sec 32, tp 20, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$1074; printers fee 295.

Florence Glyn, col—NE qr of nw qr, sec 2, tp 22, r 1 w. Tax and cost \$244; printers fee 63.

Terrell Coal Co—N half of ne qr and N half of ne qr, sec 10, tp 19, r 2 w; ne qr of sw qr, sec 3, tp 20, r 3 w; ne qr of se qr and S half of sw qr, sec 8, tp 20, r 3 w; sw qr of sw qr and ne qr of ne qr of sw qr, sec 9, tp 20, r 3 w; N half of se qr and se qr of sw qr, sec 17, tp 20, r 3 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w; se qr of sw qr, sec 19, tp 20, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$1063; printers fee \$441.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of ne qr, sec 15, tp 21, r 4 w; W half of se qr, S. R. sec 34, tp 21, r 4 w; nw qr of ne qr, sec 2, tp 21, r 4 w. Tax and cost \$591; printers fee 152.

Owner Unknown—NW qr of sw qr, sec 30, tp 21, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$353; printers fee 60.

BEAT 2.

Owner Unknown—NE qr of se qr, sec 14, tp 24, r 15 e. Tax and cost \$409; printers fee 60.

BEAT 3.

Arter Fletcher, col—W half of ne qr less 2 acres, and all in sec 22, tp 2, r 3 w. Tax and cost \$419; printers fee 85.

Mrs. Ella Hill—NE qr of nw qr and nw qr of ne qr, sec 17, tp 22, r 2 w. Tax and cost \$831; printers fee 85.

Mary L. Mosely—

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Ladies Can Wear Shoes
One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures swollen, hot, sweating, itching feet, ingrowing nails, corns and bunions. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Trial package sent by mail. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

Lidium, made of compressed cork, is used for making furniture, etc.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c. a bottle.

Saxony has seven schools for training locomotives and blacksmiths.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has ever cured for coughs and colds.—John I. Brown, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1903.

Russia has almost three times the population of Japan.

Well Worth Seeing.
One of the most interesting exhibits among the many of all kinds at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis is that of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, of New Haven, Conn., manufacturers of repeating rifles and shotguns and all kinds of ammunition. The exhibit was in readiness and was opened on the first day of the fair, a fact that clearly illustrates the enterprise and up-to-date methods of the company behind it. It is the aim of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company to show at their exhibit the high development which they have reached in the making of guns and ammunition, and one needs only to see the exhibit to realize how near to perfection that development has come. There can be seen the new automatic repeating rifle, all kinds of shotguns, the modern smokeless powder shotgun shells and rifle cartridges; in fact everything that can interest the devotees of hunting and trap and target shooting. Don't fail to see the exhibit at the Manufacturers and Fish and Game Buildings. It's well worth your while.

Municipal pawnshops are projected in London.

In a recent report, Professor Green, principal of the eye hospital attached to the Berlin university, says that in some cases blind persons are able to distinguish certain objects illuminated by radium rays. He also found that those whose optic nerve had not been destroyed could see objects in front of a screen made fluorescent by radium. He concludes by saying, however, that the blind cannot expect for some time to get any relief from this new element.

The London Electrical Review noting that water thrown on an electric short circuit only makes matters worse, suggests that sand be used to put out such fires. The sand, it says, could be stored in large reservoirs and applied through a hose like water.



Miss Hapgood tells how she was cured of Fallopian and Ovarian Inflammation—and escaped an awful operation by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered for four years with what the doctors called Salpingitis (inflammation of the fallopian tubes) and ovaritis, which are most distressing and painful ailments, affecting all the surrounding parts, undermining the constitution, and sapping the life forces. If you had seen me a year ago, before I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and had noticed the sunken eyes, sallow complexion, and general emaciated condition, and compared that person with me as I am today, robust, hearty and well, you would not wonder that I feel thankful to you and your wonderful medicine, which restored me to new life and health in five months, and saved me from an awful operation."—MISS IRENE HAPGOOD, 1022 Sandwich St., Windsor, Ont.

Ovaritis or inflammation of the ovaries or fallopian tubes which adjoin the ovaries may result from sudden stopping of the monthly flow, from inflammation of the womb, and many other causes. The slightest indication of trouble with the ovaries, indicated by dull throbbing pain in the side, accompanied by heat and shooting pains, should claim your instant attention. It will not cure itself, and a hospital operation, with all its terrors, may easily result from neglect.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can truly say that you have saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. Before I wrote to you telling how I felt, I had doctored for over two years steady and spent lots of money in medicine besides, but it all failed to do me any good. I suffered much pain. I would daily have fainting spells, headache, backache and bearing down pain, and was so weak that it was hard for me to do my work. I used your medicine and treatment as directed, and after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, my pains disappeared, my womb troubles left me, and I have been regular ever since. I used fourteen bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier together, and am now restored to perfect health. Had it not been for you, I would have been in my grave. I will always recommend your wonderful remedies, and hope that these few lines may lead others who suffer as I did to try your remedies."—MRS. T. C. WILLIAMS, R. R. No. 1, Manning, Iowa.

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THE AMERICAN FUR COMPANY.
Exclusion of Foreign Traders in 1816 Gave it New Power.

But the American Fur Company had come to stay. Henceforth the mountaineers found themselves dosed by rivals whom they could not shako. Their hunting grounds were invaded by traders who soon grew as proficient as themselves. The profits of the Rocky Mountain traders began to dwindle. Two or three partners were induced to go over to the American Fur Company. In a few years the Rocky Mountain traders, who had always been first in the hunting field, reached their old haunts only to find that the hills had been swept clear of game by the American Fur Company's hunters.

The American Fur Company was now officered by Ramsey Crooks, Farham, and Robert Stuart, who had remained loyal to Astor at Astoria and had been schooled in a discipline that offered enemies no quarter.

When Congress excluded foreign traders in 1816 all the Nor'westers' posts south of the boundary fell to the American Fur Company. Sturdy old Nor'westers, thrown out by the amalgamation with the Hudson Bay Fur Company, added to the American's strength. Kenneth Mackenzie, a former Nor'wester, had a line of posts from Green Bay to the Missouri. The American Fur Company bought these, placing Mackenzie at the mouth of the Yellowstone. Here he built Fort Union became the Pooch-Bah of the region, and lived in the regal style of his Scottish kin. "King of the Missouri" white men called him; "big Indian me" the Blackfeet said; and "big Indian me" he was to them, for he was the first trader to win their friendship.

A notable industry in Paraguay is the preparation of essence of orange leaves. Some 150 years ago, the Jesuit priests, who then ruled that country, planted the orange groves which now have developed into immense forests. This essence is largely imported into France and the United States for use in soap and perfume making. It is also used in Paraguay as a healing ointment, and a hair tonic.

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THE BATTLEFIELD.
A desert place where grew no kindly herb;
A waste of sand where splintered rocks lay dead,
Where the rivulets flowed not, nor flowers swayed,
And smiting rays fell from the sun overhead.

One lonely figure robed in ash gray,
Whose patient eyes saw nothing, seeing all;
Nor marked the shadows' slow-revolving course,
The flush of dawn, the purple darkness' fall.

There rode no hosts led on by warrior kings;
No trumpets sang; there waved no banners gay;
No fierce assaults nor routed quick retreats,
But silent hours were out the night, the day.

Alone against a world the leader stood,
Alone where ages met the parting ways,
To guide aught who ever seeks the light,
To shun from wrong with level loving gaze.

There was the battle waged, the victory won,
That conquered conquerors, that high above
All greatness glory, power, and all law
Forever fixed the empire of love.

There triumphed He, our conqueror and king,
Who won for us, and made all earth His prize:
Who gave His life for victory over death,
Who fell that mankind evermore should rise.

—Tudor Jenks, in the Century.

"PINK CHINA."

"Silliest fool I ever met in my innocent career," drawled Tarpen, "was a fellow called Pink China."

As the rest of us had been discussing "Chivally," in our youthful and rather inflated manner, for what, probably, had been to Tarpen a very dull half-hour, we looked up a little surprised at the irrelevance.

"Tell," said Denny laconically. The rest of us aroused ourselves sufficiently to gaze with something which in a lower temperature might have become expectancy.

We were lounging, five civil servants of his majesty's government, in what are bombastically termed the "government offices" in Roule. The heat outside was visible—quivering; so was the thick dust on the ridge way. The atmosphere—well, we didn't talk about it, especially at meal times. Inside the "office" we seemed to be the heat itself—concrete, and thirst personified. We deprecated the blood in us which raised the temperature, and a lighted cigar would have been a crime, before sundown.

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"Well?" asked Sieveright. Tarpen did not answer for a minute; he languidly swirled the seltzer at the bottom of his glass, and looked at it absently.

"I didn't think he'd take it that way," he said at last. "One evening he came to my bungalow, and he might have been rechristened 'White China,' for all the color there was on him. I thought he'd probably been overdoing it at the dance the night before, and I began chaffing him. 'Well,' I asked him, with a sort of sepulchral solemnity, 'does she love you, Pink China?'"

"No," he declared fiercely, 'she doesn't.'"

"Oh," I said, with mock earnestness, 'better ask her and be sure.'"

"I have asked her," he thundered, 'and I am sure. I'm sure of something else, too; she loves you. And I'm sure of something more; you shall marry her, or I'll kill you. She's broken my heart—she couldn't help it. But you shan't break hers. You will swear to me here and now that you'll ask her to marry you; or I swear, here and now, I'll kill you. A bit sudden, by Jove, he meant it.'"

"Well," said Tarpen, slowly, "there were only corkscrews in the room, and Pink China had locked the door and thrown away the key. So—it was corkscrews at first."

Tarpen tilted over his chair, helped himself to some more seltzer, drank it, and again fell to swirling the remains round the bottom of his glass as he recalled the scene.

"Good heavens!" he exclaimed at last, and we could see his hand shake. "I wonder if any of you kids can imagine what its like to meet a mad boy—and a corkscrew. At first I wanted to laugh; but the beastly twisting thing looked so hideous—it wasn't a laugh that came when it sounded. I declare to you as I passed round that bare little hole of a room, I kept seeing my own heart, with a corkscrew twisted in it. It made me sick. When we'd danced around one another till I couldn't stand it a moment longer, I cried 'Stop!' and we stopped."

"Will you swear?" he demanded. "No," I said, 'I won't; but if you will play little games of this sort, we'll have penknives, please.'"

"So we got out our penknives, and as mine was the longer, we drew them with our eyes shut—and I drew my own."

"Then you went at it again?" I asked, eager to know the end.

"Then we went at it again. Poor little Pink China! It was rather ghastly. He'd always been a decent little chap, really. And there he was just lust for blood. He meant to kill me. He meant it dead on, no mistake. His very eyes were red with the blood he saw, but my knife was the longer."

"Well?" we demanded, wrought up now past caring for heat, or drinks, or dust, or delay. "Go on!"

"Ugh!" said Tarpen impatiently. "Sorry I remembered the old business again. It was rather ghastly."

"So I should think. But what became of Pink China?"

"Pink China, rather thinner, and with no complexion to speak of," replied Tarpen reflectively, "is at—well, he is at present in the most God-forsaken station in India, working like a Trojan at ennobling the native in his hair—during the short intervals between his fevers and agues."

"And you?"

Tarpen swirled the last mouthful of seltzer out across the dust ridges, where it dropped "pat" and didn't show. Then he rose, and yawned.

"I?" he said, nonchalantly. "Oh, I married the girl"—London Onlooker.

The Bull's Eye.
Why is the target's bull's eye so called? This is one of many instances in our language where words have gained a higher status than that which they started and have been promoted from the slang dictionary to the dictionary of words of respectable and current use.

Bull's eye is found in the dictionary of "The Canting Crew" so far back as 1690 and was the vulgar word for the central ring of the target used as a mark for archers, which was colored differently from the other rings. This may have arisen from the ancient rounded shields, cut out of ox hide and strengthened with a spike or central boss for this shield or target; hence target was often used as a mark itself.

When sheet glass began to be manufactured the thickened part, where the tube had been attached, was called the bull's eye. This term was successively applied to a lens of glass, especially in a ship's side, to the lens of the lantern, to the lantern itself, and finally to the central boss of a target.—London Answers.

The Solar Salt Industry.
The solar salt industry, which at one time was a great business in Onondaga county, New York, has been almost wiped out by the competition from the west, but there are still in operation in New York a few plants where salt is obtained by the solar process. In this industry it is necessary frequently to manipulate the covers of the vats wherein the brine is in the course of evaporation, and as the vats are quite numerous, the services of many men are required for this work.

Judge William G. Cady of Syracuse has recently invented a method of operating these covers by horse power, so that one animal and a boy can move 160 covers in six minutes. This represents the work of ten men. It is estimated that this device represents a saving of 90 percent in the labor employed around one of these establishments. It is said that it will be the means of reviving the old industry in this part of the country.

The Abyssinians have long known the possibilities of hypnotism in the detection of crime. A regular corps of boys is maintained by the authorities. When a malefactor has to be traced, one of the lads is hypnotized and sent forth to find him. The subject, it is said, on being sped on his errand, seems to follow some trail invisible to normal sight. He visits all the places to which the criminal previously resorted, and rapidly tracks his quarry just as a dog pursues the trail of a hare or rabbit guided by the scent of its victim.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.
INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JULY 31.

Subject: Omri and Ahab. I Kings, xvi. 23-33—Golden Text, Prov. xiv. 34—Memory Verses, 30-33—Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

Introduction.—Omri and Ahab were both infamous Kings. Their wickedness knew no bounds. Of each it was said that he did evil in the sight of the Lord above "all that were before him." The kingdom of Israel continued only 254 years after the death of Omri, and during that time there were nineteen different Kings (not counting Tibni, Omri's rival), of nine different houses or dynasties. All these Kings were ungodly and even usurped the throne by bloodshed. Omri was the sixth King of Israel and the founder of the third dynasty. Ahab, the son and successor of Omri, fully established Baal worship. No King of the Jews has left a sadder record. Under his idolatry and wickedness became fearfully prevalent, the prophets of God were slain and his worship forbidden.

Commentary.—I. The reign, character and death of Omri (vs. 23-25). 23. "Omri, King of Israel, reigned sixty-six years." No account is here taken of the four years he was contesting the kingdom with Tibni. From verse 15 we see that his reign must really have begun in the twenty-seventh year of Ahab's reign, and comparing the two statements we conclude that four years later, at the death of Tibni, in the thirty-first year of Ahab's reign, he began to reign alone. "Twelve years." This is supposed to include the whole time of his reign—four years with Tibni and eight years alone. There is, however, a difference of opinion as to the chronology here. "In Tirzah." He reigned six years in Tirzah and six in Samaria.

24. "The hill Samaria." The palace of Tirzah being in ruins. Omri, in selecting the site of his royal residence, was naturally influenced by considerations both of pleasure and advantage. The centre of a wide amphitheatre of mountains, about six miles from Shechem, rises an oblong hill with steep, yet accessible sides, and a fine view extending east and west, and rising 500 or 600 feet above the valley. What Omri probably built as a mere palatial residence, became the capital of the kingdom, instead of Shechem. The choice of Omri was admirable in selecting a position which combined strength, beauty and fertility. "Shemer." The Hebrew form of Shimon, from whence the hill was called Shimon or Samaria. "Two talents." About \$320. This was a large sum.

25. "Evil." Worse than all. He was worse than the wicked Kings who reigned before him. "He went farther than they had done in establishing idolatry by law, and forcing his subjects to comply with him in it, for he caused the statues of the statues of Omri, the keeping of which made Israel a desolation." We cannot doubt that these statues of Omri were measures adopted for the more completely isolating the people from the house of the Lord at Jerusalem and of perpetrating—perhaps increasing—their idolatrous practices. 26. "Made Israel to sin." Note the power of a wicked life. It is the more dangerous when associated with material prosperity (v. 24). 2. It transforms a King into a tyrant (vs. 25, 26). 3. It is less excusable in a man of valor and capacity (v. 27). 4. It entails suffering and woe on succeeding generations. 27. "And his night." It appears that he stood well in the army, for he was in camp when he was elected to the throne, yet in his relation to Jehovah he stood worse than any of his predecessors and was farthest from God. A man may be skilled and useful to himself and others in all material and worldly things, while in spiritual and divine things he works only mischief and destruction. What without religion is so-called civilization? 28. "Omri slept." He died a natural death.

29. "Yea, yet he did evil." As we saw Kings of Israel buried. "Began Ahab." More particulars are recorded of Ahab than of any of the other Kings of Israel. 30. "Did not die." He even exceeded the iniquity of his wicked father. 31. "A light thing." He not only broke the second commandment by introducing false gods, but he broke the first also by bringing in heathen deities. The great sin of Ahab, which distinguished him from his predecessors, was his introduction of the worship of Baal consequent upon his marriage with Jezebel, a name even more infamous than his own; and his formal establishment of this gross and heathen idolatry as the religion of the state. "Jezebel." One of the worst characters mentioned in the Scriptures. She used every effort to establish idolatry in Samaria and exterminate the worship of God. Prophet and people were compelled to hide from the storm of her wrath. Her influence was also powerfully felt in Judah. "Ethbaal." Jezebel's husband was a priest of Baal and murdered his own brother, King Phileas. He was a fit parent of this woman. "Zidonians." This term was used among the Hebrews with much latitude. Josephus calls Ethbaal King of the Tyrians and Zidonians. It is probable that both Tyre and Zidon, with the adjacent towns, were often under one government. "Served Baal." The chief male god among the Phoenicians, as Asherah was the female divinity. An unholy alliance would never be entered into if the soul were not first demoralized. The results show that mixed marriages are dangerous. A want of mutual religious convictions between the husband and wife is almost certain to impair the sacred relationship.

32. "Reared." "Altar," etc. He built temples and altars to Baal and other gods, and he caused his children to be sacrificed might be offered to Baal. Splendid shrines were built, especially one of vast size in the capital, and the rites and ceremonies of the heathen were exhibited on a grand scale, with gorgeous accompaniments of all kinds—music, statuary, procession of robed priests, victims, heathen dances, and the like. Astarte's emblems were erected, and license was given, under cover of her worship, to the grossest licentiousness and excesses. 33. "Made a grove." The Asherah—R. V. This was an image to represent the female divinity, of which Baal was the male. "Did move." The Hebrews worshiped these heathen deities, and crushed out the true religion. We can be guilty of no greater sin than to reject God and salvation. He has led us through His Son. See John 3:19, 36. It is not the greatness of our sins which causes our condemnation, but the unbelieving rejection of the Saviour. When we reject Christ we have nothing of value left—help, happiness and hope are forever gone, and like a vessel without rudder or sail we drift toward the rocks of eternal destruction and despair.

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